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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 91st General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by the Reverend Wayne Meyer, First Christian Church, Petersburg, Illinois. Reverend Meyer.

THE REVEREND WAYNE MEYER:

(Prayer by the Reverend Wayne Meyer)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Sieben)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Reading of the Journal. Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the Journals of Thursday, March 18th; Friday, March 19th; Monday, March 22nd; and Tuesday, March 23rd, in the year 1999, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journals.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers moves to postpone the reading and the approval of the Journal, pending the arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Rauschenberger, Chair of the Committee on Appropriations, reports Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 20 Be Adopted.

Senator Syverson, Chair of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare, reports Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 646 Be Adopted, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 818 Be Adopted, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 881 Be Adopted, and Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1111 Be

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Adopted.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the

concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bills 133, 1175, 1282, 1452, 1538, 1688, 1733
{sic} (1738), 1966, 1987, 2181, 386, 429, 515, 540, 616, 843,
1217, 1269, 1557, 1963, 2824, 390, 421, 854, 901, 1265, 1680,
1909, 2085, 2243, 2492, 2648, 495 and 1812.

All passed the House, March 23rd, 1999.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 156, offered by Senator Berman.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 421, Senator Hawkinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 429, offered by Senator Tom Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 515, by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 616, presented by Senator Tom Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1061, Senator Philip.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senator Donahue offers House Bill 1217.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1265, presented by Senator Rauschenberger.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1688, Senator Peterson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senator Burzynski presents House Bill 1780.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And Senator Petka offers House Bill 1966.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

If I could have your attention just for a minute. We're going to Senate Bills 2nd Reading. This may be the last day, so you better get your amendments filed. Today is Wednesday. We want to get out of here early on Friday, or maybe even Thursday night. So please get them filed. Senate Bills 2nd Reading, top of page 2. Senate Bill 1. Senator Syverson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and Welfare adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 11. Senator Peterson. Senator 11.
Senator Peterson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 13.
Senator Syverson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 13.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and
Welfare adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any other Floor amendments been approved for
consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Syverson.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Amendment No. 2 just makes
some clarifications and addresses some of the concerns that the

Medical Society had. I know of no objections to them.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any discussion? If not, Senator Sieben {sic} moves to adopt Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 13. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The amendment is adopted. 3rd Reading. ...Bill 26. Senator Petka. Senate Bill 26. Senator Petka. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 29. Senator Petka. Senate Bill 29. Senator Petka. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 71. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 71.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Agriculture and Conservation adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 73. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 73.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 74. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 74.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 75. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 75.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 76. Senator Sieben, you're on a roll.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 76.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 77. Senator Sieben. Read the bill,
Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 77.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 78. Senator Sieben. Read the bill,
Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 78.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senator Parker. Senate Bill 101. Senator
Parker. Take it out of the record, Mr. Secretary. Senate Bill

139. Senator O'Malley. Senate Bill 139. O'Malley. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 185. Senator Syverson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 185.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any further amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Syverson.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment No. 1 just addresses some concerns that the State Police had. Those concerns were addressed. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any discussion? If not, Senator Sieben moves to adopt

Amendment No. 2 {sic} to Senate Bill 185. -- excuse me, Amendment No. 1. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. 3rd Reading. Senate Bill 204. Senator Rauschenberger. Senate Bill 204. Senator -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 206. Senator Radogno. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 206.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 227. Senator O'Malley. Senate Bill 227. Senator O'Malley. Take it out of the record. Top of page 3. Senate Bill 230. Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 230.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Mr. President, can I take this out of the record, please?

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Take it out of the record, Mr. Secretary. Senate Bill 268. Senator Parker. Senate Bill 268. Senator Parker. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 272. Senator Molaro. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 272.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

The Committee on Commerce and Industry adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senate Bill 277. Senator Cronin? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 277.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 282. Senator Cronin. Out of the record. Senate Bill 311. Senator Link. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 311.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on State Government Operations adopted one amendment.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have -- there any other amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 319. Senator Rauschenberger? Senator Rauschenberger? Out of the record. Senate Bill 320. Senator Rauschenberger? Out of the record. Senate Bill 336. Senator Maitland? Out of the record. Senate Bill 338. Senator

Peterson? Out of the record. Senate Bill 423. Senator Maitland?
Out of the record. Senate Bill 427. Senator Radogno? Read the
bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 427.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 445. Senator Walsh? Thomas Walsh?
Out of the record. Senate Bill 468. Senator Fawell? Read the
bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 468.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any other amendments that have been approved for
consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 509. Senator Dillard? Senator
Dillard? Senate Bill 509? I can't see him. Out of the record.

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Senate Bill 527. Senator Dillard. Read -- read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 527.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 529. Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 529.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 550. Senator Dudycz? Out of the record. Senate Bill 556. Senator Cronin? 556. Out of the record. Senate Bill 562. Senator Syverson? Senator Syverson. Out of the record. Senate Bill 578. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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Senate Bill 578.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Transportation adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there been -- have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No other amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 652. Senator Cronin? I'm sorry. 641. Senator Radogno? Out of the record. Senate Bill 652. Senator Cronin. Out of the record. Senate Bill 653. Senator Cronin. 653? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 653.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted two amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 673. Senator Radogno? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 673.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted one amendment.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there -- any Floor amendments been approved for

consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Radogno.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you. Amendment No. 2 will delete the reference to four specific counties and instead specify four hospitals in those counties.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, say Aye. All opposed, say No. In the -- in the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No other amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 677. Senator Radogno? Out of the record. Senate Bill 721. Senator Bomke. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 721.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 723. Senator Sieben? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 723.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 724. Senator Sieben? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 724.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 729. Wendell Jones? Senator Jones? Senator Jones? Out of the record. Senate Bill 734. Senator Fawell? Senator Fawell? 734. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 734.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 736. Senator del Valle? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 736.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 748. Cosponsor DeLeo?
Cullerton-DeLeo. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 748.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Cullerton yields to Senator DeLeo. Senator DeLeo.

SENATOR DeLEO:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 748, Amendment No. 1 - currently the bill excepts cases of catastrophic illness and last stage pregnancies from pre-marital education. This amendment would provide an addition exception for couples where both parties are fifty-five and older. I ask for the adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, signify by saying Aye. All those opposed. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

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SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 749. Senator Cullerton and Senator DeLeo? With leave of the Body, Senator DeLeo handling this bill. Senator DeLeo. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 749.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Cullerton.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator DeLeo.

SENATOR DeLEO:

Thank you, Madam President. Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 749 - this amendment makes a technical change to deal with concerns that was raised by the Secretary of State. With these changes, the Secretary of State has withdrawn their objections. The only substantive change spells out that the priority last of business on broker liens in relation to other previous recorded

liens, such as mortgages and UCC liens. This came out of committee with no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. All opposed. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 759. Senator Dillard. Out of the record. Senate Bill 760. Senator Parker. Out of the record. Senate Bill 782. Senator Cronin? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 782.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 783. Senator Cronin? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 783.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. It would be nice if you could confine your conversations to a level where it isn't heard right here by the Secretary because it's hard for him to do his job, and me, too. Senate Bill 783. Senator Cronin? I'm sorry. Senate Bill 812. Senator Cronin. Out of the record. Senate Bill 818. Senator Parker. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 818.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and Welfare adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there -- any Floor amendments been approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Parker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The amendment actually -- now we do have agreement with the Attorney General's Office, the disabled community, the Illinois Med Society, and this mirrors the Senate Bill 1835 that we did last year, as far as senior abuse for the disabled, except we do not have mandated reporting. That is something we will discuss later.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor -- Senator Silverstein.

SENATOR SILVERSTEIN:

Point of personal privilege. I just wanted to wish happy birthday to my secretary, Jill, who has guided me through the last eight weeks very nicely. So I want to wish her a happy, healthy birthday, on -- on her thirtieth birthday.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Happy birthday to your secretary. Any further discussion on Senate Bill 818 -- on the Amendment No. 2? Hearing none, all those in favor, please signify by saying Aye. All opposed, No. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 839. Senator Parker. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 839.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 848. Senator Bowles. Out of the record. Senate Bill 867. Senator Noland? Out of the record. Senate Bill 878. Senator Lauzen. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary. 878.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 878.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 880. Senator Lauzen. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 880.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Local Government

adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there -- any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 890. Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 890.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 916. Senator Myers? Senator Myers?
Out of the -- out of the record. Senate Bill 928. Senator
Sullivan? Out of the record. Senate Bill 938. Senator
Luechtefeld? Senator Luechtefeld? 938? Read the bill, Mr.

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Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 938.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Local Government adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 962. Senator Cronin? 962. Out of the record. Senate Bill 962. Senator Cronin. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 962.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have -- been Floor amendments approved for consideration?

Have there been Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Cronin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Yes, thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Amendment to Senate Bill 962 makes a couple technical changes. It changes the -- "relating to" to the word "regarding". It's -- I know of no opposition to the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, please

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signify by saying Aye. All opposed. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments from the Floor?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 965. Senator Syverson? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 965 -- or -- 965.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and Welfare adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Syverson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Madam President. Amendment No. 2 just makes some technical corrections to the original bill. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, signify by saying Aye. All opposed. In the -- say Nay. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 968. Senator Radogno? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 968.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further amendments from the Floor?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 981. Senator Emil Jones? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 981.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 989. Senator Dudycz? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary. 989.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 989.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments that have been approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 990. Senator Lauzen? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 990.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1011. Senator Petka. Senator Petka? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1025. Senator Clayborne? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1025.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senator O'Malley, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Madam President, thank you very much. I -- I want all the Members of the Senate to realize that our galleries behind the Senate Chambers are being filled right now by some of Illinois' best and brightest students and their families and representatives of community colleges across the State of Illinois. There are eighty-one members who have been enrolled in the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and named to the All-Illinois Academic Team who are with us this morning. They've just come into the Chamber. I

really mean it, Ladies and Gentlemen. I mentioned this yesterday when we talked about Senate Resolution 43. These are some of Illinois' best and brightest students. So, please join in welcoming them here. Let's give them a warm applause.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Would you please rise? We welcome you here and we're very proud of you. Welcome. Keep up your fine work. Senate Bill 1042. Senator Lisa Madigan? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1046.

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Senator Sullivan? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1046.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Could we please have it a little more quiet? Thank you. Senate Bill 1075. Senator Cronin? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1087. Senator Karpel? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1111. Senator Parker? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1111.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Parker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. The Senate Amendment No. 1 is merely a technical amendment that removes an unnecessary reference.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Hearing none, all -- all those in favor, please signify by saying Aye. All opposed, No. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1112. Senator Dillard? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1112.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1122. Emil -- Senator Emil Jones? Senator Emil Jones. 1122. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1122.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1131. Senator Bowles. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1131.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Local Government adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1148. Senator Lauzen? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1148.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1182. Senator Lauzen? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1182.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1183. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1183.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1192. Senator Cronin? 1192. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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Senate Bill 1192.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1199. Senator Weaver will handle it

for Senator Maitland. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1199.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. ...leave of the Body, we're going to go back to page 2 and we're going to start on page 2 with Senate Bill 29. Senator Parker. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 29.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Transportation adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there -- any Floor amendments been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment -- no further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 139. Senator O'Malley. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 139.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted three amendments.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 319. Senator Rauschenberger? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 319.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and Welfare adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 320. Senator Rauschenberger? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 320.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and Welfare adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have there been any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 562, on page 4. Senator Syverson.

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Read the bill, Mr. Secretary. 562, on page 4.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 562.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. the Committee on Public Health and Welfare adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further amendments approved by the Floor?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 867. Senator Noland? Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 867.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have -- there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Noland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Noland, on Amendment No. 2.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Madam President, Floor Amendment No. 2 is merely a technical clean-up amendment. I'd appreciate its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, signify by saying Aye. All those opposed, No. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Senator -- Mr. Secretary?

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SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Page 3, Senate Bill 230. Senator Dillard? Mr. Secretary, will you read the bill?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 230.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President. This amendment just makes a grammatical change, and it's technical only.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor of adopting amendment, signify by saying Aye. All opposed, No. The opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Top of page -- rather, on page 4. Senate Bill
729. Wendell Jones? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 729.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill -- 759, on page 5. Senator Dillard?
Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 759.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senator Bowles, for what purpose do you rise, ma'am?

SENATOR BOWLES:

I rise for a point of personal privilege, Madam President. For the -- for the information of those who might be interested, we have a display over to the left of the President's desk, which have a few of the items that -- that are made from the hemp, the industrial hemp, if anyone is interested in going and taking a look. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Thank you, Senator Bowles. If you turn your attention to page 6, Senate Bill 1042. Senator Lisa Madigan? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1042.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Transportation adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Have -- there any Floor amendments approved -- been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. ...going to go to the Order of 3rd Reading. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we're going to go to the Order of 3rd Reading. Senate Bills 3rd Reading, on page 7. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we are starting with Senate Bill 6, on page 7. Senator O'Malley? Senate Bill 6. Senator O'Malley. Out of the record? Senate Bill 7. Senator O'Malley? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 7.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator O'Malley, Senate Bill 7.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 7 amends the Criminal Code and creates a new section dealing with presence of convicted sex offenders within public park zones. We spent a considerable amount of time in committee and with Members dealing with this issue, had a number of amendment to -- amendments added to address their issues. I'd be happy to answer any questions they may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 7 pass. Those in favor

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will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 20. Senator Rauschenberger, is this a recall for you? We will -- we will return to the Order of 2nd Reading, the purpose of an amendment -- or tabling an amendment. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 20 to the Order of 2nd Reading, the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House -- Senate Bill 20. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Maitland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger will take that amendment, please.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. {sic} President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 20, as originally introduced, called for the construction of the University of Illinois Medical School Building with General Revenue funds. Based on the Governor's introduced budget and the budget negotiations as we're moving forward, we're amending this bill to call for its construction using Capital Development funds. Changes the funding source for the replacement of the Medical School.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further amendments from the Floor? I'm sorry. Is there any -- is there any discussion? Any discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Madam President. Will the sponsor yield for a

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question, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

He indicates that he will.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Senator, as I understand Senator Maitland's amendment, ninety-three million dollars is going to be appropriated from the

Capital Development Fund to the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois. Is this the total cost of this project, ninety-three million dollars?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

No, in fact, it's not. We've already given the University of Illinois, I think, 6.5 million for preliminary engineering and study. This completes the medical school.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

How much was in the Governor's budget for this year for -- for medical school?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you for asking that question, Senator Demuzio. The Board of Higher Education recommended that we actually fund half of it and permit the University of Illinois to take federal overhead funds that they normally report to us as an income source and allow them to take them off budget and actually pay for the second half of the construction with internally held federal funds that would normally be subject to our review and appropriation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion, Senator Demuzio?

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SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Yeah. If we give them the total of ninety-three million, are they going to be able -- is this -- is this going to be completed, like in -- like in one year? I mean, Capital Development funds -- is this going -- is this going to take away from any other projects that are on the list?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

No, Senator Demuzio. We expect it take about three years for them to complete the construction, and we will -- we're doing review now. We will amend the bond authorization to accommodate it if we don't have sufficient level available to us in the higher education portion of the bond authorization.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

So as I understand it then, this is all one shot. They get their ninety-three million, that's it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Yes, and I'm not sure everybody agrees with me, but I think we

have a right, as a General Assembly, and the House has the right, to know the full cost of projects. It's -- it's in part a process statement to the Board of Higher Ed and to the administration that if they want us to build a ninety-three-million-dollar building, they ought to tell us that up front and that we ought not to be obligated to it in bites and dribs. This puts the cost of it out there. We'll reapprop as they need it, but it let's us understand what the full cost of the project is.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Madam President. I just rise in support of this amendment. The expansion there is very much needed, and I think this is a good thing and right thing to do.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, those in favor voting -- adopting amendment, please vote by -- signify by saying Aye. All opposed. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further

amendments from the Floor?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 32. Senator O'Malley. Out of the record Senate Bill 35. Senator O'Malley. Out of the record. Senate Bill 40. Senator Watson. Out of the record. Senate Bill 46. Senator Parker. Out of the record. Senate Bill 79. Senator del Valle? Senator del Valle, Senate Bill 79. Out of the record. Senate Bill 109. Senator Munoz? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 109.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Munoz.

SENATOR MUNOZ:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 109 creates the offense of theft or financial identity theft under Criminal Code. Offense defined - using another personal identity to obtain credit, money, goods, services or other

property in that person's name without their written permission while representing that one is that person or is acting on their behalf. Penalties will range from a Class X misdemeanor all the way to a Class X, depending on the dollar amount and the age of the victim. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, nationwide we are experiencing a growing trend of more criminal use of personal identification and information. Illinois is part of this increasing trend. This proposed identity theft legislation will increase the likelihood that like -- law enforcement officials will prosecute this crime and give victims legal protection independent of that provided by banks and credit card companies, many of whom decide it is more economical to accept financial losses than to investigate the fraud. Crime can be prosecuted without the cooperation and banks and credit card companies. This bill ensures when a person's financial information is stolen and misused, the defendant can be prosecuted. The amended ensures -- the amendment ensures that any money recovered from the prosecution of financial identity theft goes entirely to the victims. At this time, there's no known opposition. I would ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 109 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 59 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting

Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 113. Senator Dillard? Senate -- Senate -- out of the record. Senate Bill 121. Senator Cullerton? 121. Out of the record. Senate Bill 132. Senator Lauzen? Senate Bill 132. Senator

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Lauzen, did you wish to recall Senate Bill 132? With leave of the Body, leave is given. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 132. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Lauzen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Madam President, this is a technical amendment requested by the Department of Revenue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further Floor amendments approved -- any discussion? I'm sorry. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, signify by saying Aye. All opposed, Nay. In the opinion of the Chair,

the Ayes have it. The amendment's adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. ...Bill 149. Senator Watson? Senator Watson. Out of the record. Senate Bill 171. Senator Klemm? Senator Klemm seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 171 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 171. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments that have approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm. Senator Klemm, on Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR KLEMM:

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Take -- take it out of the record, please. Sorry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Out of the record. Senate Bill 175. Senator Klemm. Senator

Klemm asks leave to return to the -- leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 175 for the purposes of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 175. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm, on Amendment No. 2.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Yeah, Madam President, I'd like to ask leave to withdraw Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

You ask leave to table Amendment No. 1?

SENATOR KLEMM:

Table No. 1. Is that...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Are you asking to table Committee No. 1, Senator Klemm?

SENATOR KLEMM:

Yes, Madam President. We had a confusion on the amendments, and I think Amendment No. 2, which I wish to present, clarifies it, so I was asking to withdraw Amendment No. 1 to clear that record; otherwise, I don't think the Amendment 2 will track. That's what I asked for initially, tabling it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Klemm moves to table Amendment No. 1. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The amendment is tabled. Amendment No. 2 -- any further amendments? Senator Klemm.

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SENATOR KLEMM:

Thank you, Madam President. Amendment No. 2 changes the formula from point -- 1.2 to 1.05. That was what was discussed in the committee. That was what we had voted on. Unfortunately, the wrong amendment got filed, and, therefore, this corrects it and puts it in the form that the committee and I, as the sponsor, wishes, and I ask for your adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, on the motion of Senator Klemm, all in favor of adopting Amendment No. 2, signify by saying Aye. All opposed. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments approved from the Floor?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 188. Senator Dillard? Out of the record. Senate Bill 202. Senator Welch? Senator Welch, 202? Out of the record. Senate Bill 223. Senator Halvorson? Out of the record. Senate Bill 239. Senator Burzynski? Out of the

record. Senate Bill 276. Senator Cronin? Out of the record.

Senate Bill 286. Senator DeLeo? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 286.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator DeLeo.

SENATOR DeLEO:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 286 deletes a requirement that airport authorities with a population of not more than five hundred thousand, and this is --

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DuPage County is excepted out, commissioners may not be compensated more than a hundred and fifty dollars in any one month of services. As you know, yesterday we adopt -- this removes the cap. This cap was set on compensation for airport commissioners in 1956. We had the bill in committee. It removed the cap. Yesterday on the Floor we adopted the amendment recapping it to three hundred dollars a month. I ask for a favorable roll call on Senate Bill 286.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 286 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 54 voting Aye, 3 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. And the -- this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 287. Senator Syverson? Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 287.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 287 is a bill that amends the Illinois Dental Practice Act. In light of all the concerns with -- with managed care mergers and acquisitions, especially from outside organizations, this legislation would provide a prohibition against clinical interference by nondentists. There is some, still, final negotiations going on with the legislation, but we'd ask that we move this forward and

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we will finalize that over in the House. Be happy to answer any questions you might have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 287 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, none voting Nay, 1 voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 293. Senator Burzynski? Out of the record. Senate Bill 307. Senator Mahar? Out of the record. Senate Bill 310. Senator Robert Madigan? Read the bill, Mr. {sic} Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 310.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Robert Madigan.

SENATOR R. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 310 is a vehicle for the continuing discussions insofar as the retired teachers' health insurance. We just want to keep it

moving in the process and would ask the Members of the Senate for their approval.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 310 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are

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59 voting Aye, none voting No, none -- none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 323. Senator Parker, do you seek leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 323 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment? Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 323. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration? Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Parker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Amendment No. 2 is merely a small technical amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, signify by saying Aye. All opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment's adopted. Any further amendments from the Floor?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 324. Senator Maitland? Senate Bill -- out of the record. Senate Bill 353. Out of the record. Did you wish to recall that, sir? Senator Sieben seeks leave of the Body to recall Senate Bill 353 for the purpose of -- to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 353. Mr. {sic} Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

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Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Sieben.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Madam President. Floor Amendment No. 1 clarifies who the voters are that can vote on the question. Technical in nature and just adds clarification. I move for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor, signify by saying Aye, of adopting the amendment. All opposed, No. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Madam Secretary?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 358. Senator O'Malley? Out of the record. Senate Bill 359. Senator O'Malley. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 359.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator O'Malley, on Senate Bill 359.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Bill 359 creates a sixteen-member insurance fraud task force. It establishes who the members will be and how they will be

designated, establishes the duties of the task force, and also repeals the task force effective July 1, 2000, so that their report is made to the Governor not later than July 1, 2000. Be

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happy to answer any questions you may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 359 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. All opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 363. Senator Thomas Walsh. Read the bill, Mr. -- Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 363.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Walsh.

SENATOR T. WALSH:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 363 does several different things. First of all, it creates a two-year or biannual producer license renewal. This will save money with administration costs in the Department and for the producers. It creates a new class of licensure, the car rental limited license for car rental companies who offer limited insurance coverage to consumers. It clarifies that attorneys are exempt from licensure only when they are performing duties identical to their position. It maintains the bonding requirement for -- who -- or, for producers who broker business. It eliminates the producer bond with the Department of Insurance. It authorizes an association to provide bond coverage for their members. I don't know of any opposition to this bill. It's been all agreed to, and I would be happy to answer any questions that

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anyone may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 363 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay.

The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 367. Senator Burzynski? Senator Burzynski? Out of the record. Senate Bill 368. Senator Burzynski? Out of the record. At the sponsor's request, Senate Bills 369 and 371 will be held. Senate Bill 376. Senator O'Malley? Senator O'Malley? Madam Secretary, Senate Bill -- read Senate Bill 376.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 376.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 376 establishes Tax Week in Cook County. This is an initiative from the Cook County Assessor's Office that has been worked on now for years. The difference between this initiative and -- and what's been done in previous years is that it is now limited to Cook County. And I'd be happy to answer questions you may have about the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 376 pass. Those in

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favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 384. Senator Rauschenberger? Out of the record. Senate Bill -- I'm sorry. Senator Rauschenberger? You're in your seat. Thank you. Please read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 384.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. {sic}, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 384 is now in a shell posture. Our telecommunications subcommittee is continuing to work on issues arising out of the emerging competition in telecommunications. We'd like to send this shell over to the House so it's available for amendment at a

future time, and the amendment, of course, would come back before the Senate. I'd appreciate the support of the Chamber.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 384 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 385. Senator Rauschenberger?

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Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 385.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. {sic} President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the

Senate. This is a companion bill that amends the Public Utilities Act that would be used together, in combination, with Senate Bill 384. Again, it's a shell bill, as we continue our work in the telecommunications subcommittee. I'd appreciate favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 385 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, none voting Nay, 1 voting Present. This bill having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 402. Senator O'Malley? Out of the record. Senate Bill 411. Senator Maitland? Out of the record. Senate Bill 417. Senator Dudycz? Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 417.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

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Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 417, as amended, is a initiative by the Illinois Automatic Merchandising Association. It creates a sales tax exemption for new or used automatic vending machines that prepare and serve hot food and beverages, including coffee, soup and other items, and replacement parts for these machines. Exempts from the automatic five-year sunset of new credits, deductions and exemptions. And this legislation is modeled after Indiana statutes. The estimated annual fiscal impact to the State is approximately two hundred thousand dollars.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 417 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. All -- all opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, none voting Nay, 1 voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 418. Senator Robert Madigan? Out of the question. Senate Bill 419. Senator Madigan. Out of the record. Senate Bill 420. Senator Madigan? Out of the record. Senate Bill 435. Out of the record. Senate Bill 436. Senator Madigan? Out of the record. Senate Bill 457. Senator Syverson? Out of the record. Senator Syverson, did you wish this bill returned to 2nd Reading for purpose of an amendment? Senator Syverson? With -- Senator Syverson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 458 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the

purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted.
On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 458. Madam Secretary,
are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Syverson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Madam President. Floor Amendment No. 2 just
addresses concerns that the Medical Society had in tightening up
the education requirements, and know of no opposition to the
amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor of
the amendment, please signify by saying Aye. All those opposed,
signify by saying No. In the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes it
and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments from the
Floor, Madam Secretary?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

3rd Reading. Senator Watson, on Senate Bill 462. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 462.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes, thank you, Madam President. This next three bills comes to us from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, the first of which is the increase in the monetary award program, commonly known as the MAP grant. It increases the grant from a full-time undergraduate student from four thousand three hundred and twenty to four thousand five hundred and thirty, an increase of two hundred and ten dollars, or roughly 4.9 percent. And for a part-time undergraduate student from two thousand one hundred and

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sixty dollars to two thousand two hundred and sixty-five dollars, an increase of roughly a hundred and five dollars, or a 4.9

percent increase. This is in the Governor's proposed budget, and we do generally each year give some sort of consideration to increasing the MAP award.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill -- 462 -- 462 pass. All those in favor will signify by voting Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. All those -- have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Aye, 1 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 463. Senator Watson? Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 463.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes, this is the second in a series of bills that has been brought to us by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. This amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act and removes the provisions that makes the awarding of a summer school grant under the Monetary Award Program subject to a separate appropriation beginning in Fiscal Year aught, aught -- 2000. And it also changes a reference from half-time to part-time. The reason that we want to do this is give the Illinois Student Assistance

Commission some flexibility and allowing for summer school to be considered for a -- for the MAP award, and it also obviously is

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good for needy kids who -- who would like to go to summer school and have that ability to do so under the MAP award. Be glad to answer any questions; otherwise, I would appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any discussion? Senator Rauschenberger?

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. {sic} President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. With all due respect to the sponsor, I would just ask everybody to take a careful, close look at this. What this bill does is transfers to ISAC the decision in making allocations between what they do in their MAP program and what they decide to do in a summer school and a part-time MAP program that really is not part of the understanding we've had long term with ISAC. It -- I think it's a wonderful thing to talk about summer school, but in a time when we're trying to help higher education rationalize its expenses and work with us, I think asking for legislation which removes our right to control by appropriation the decision on summer school and on part-time grants is -- I think is

problematic. Today, ISAC can accomplish summer school by coming to the General Assembly and asking for appropriation authority, giving us an amount they intend to expend, and give us -- giving us guidelines of how they intend to do it. Under this bill, they will not have to do that. Keeping in mind that I know a lot of people expect the appropriation process to be able to kind of rationalize and control expenditures, losing income funds a couple years ago, if -- if we don't control the MAP program, I think we're making a mistake. So I respectfully suggest that you vote Present on this. I don't think it's a good idea to move forward at this time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussions? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

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Thank you, Madam President. I -- I rise in support of this legislation. You know, since when does the appropriations process become so -- so important around here with the things that we are doing?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing

none, do you wish to close, Senator Watson?

SENATOR WATSON:

Well, I can appreciate Senator Rauschenberger's concern about how we appropriate money, but you've got to remember who we're talking about. We're talking about kids, and we're talking about kids who want to go to summer school and have the ability to participate in the MAP program. Just makes sense. And these are kids who are deserving, and it's not somebody that we're writing a check for that -- that doesn't need it, and this may help a student get out of school quicker. I think the flexibility we offer to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission is something that needs to be done. I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 463 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? On that question - take the record - there are 51 voting Aye, none voting No, 8 voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 464. Senator Watson? Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 464.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes, thank you very much, Madam President. This is the last of the bills I have from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. This is some technical language that was offered by the -- by JCAR in regard to who qualifies for the Illinois Prepaid Tuition Program. It establishes that a person who is less than one year of age must have a parent or legal guardian who has been an Illinois resident at least twelve months before the date of the contract in order to be qualified as a beneficiary. This changes the language that's currently in there, and it also changes the name of the advisory panel -- of the investment advisory panel. I'd ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President. Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

He indicates he'll yield.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Does this language also -- does this language also exempt the Prepaid Tuition Program from the Public Investment Act?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes, it does.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I will again caution Members, despite Senator Demuzio's concerns that Appropriation ought not to comment on the subject of bills, but I would point out that we have a Public Pensions Act

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for good reason, that shortfalls and changes, or ineffective investment by ISAC is now subject to continuing appropriation, essentially, by the General Assembly. We are committed, under the bill that we agreed to do a couple years ago, the Prepaid Tuition Plan, to backfill any investment losses or failure to meet expectations in ISAC's estimation. So exempting them from the -- the Public Pensions Act changes their right and their structure in investment, and I think that -- that ought to be a very broadly discussed thing. It ought not to have moved quickly through this process. And again, I would urge people to take a very hard look at this, and I -- I would respectfully urge a Present vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Further discussion? Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Question of the sponsor, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

He indicates he will yield.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Senator Watson, is the full faith in credit behind these
Prepaid Tuition Trust Funds?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

When we passed the -- the legislation a couple years ago to
establish the program, we included the full faith/credit. At that
point in time, Governor Edgar vetoed that provision out, and as a
result, it is not a part of the legislation. Although,
personally, I feel it should be, it is not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Further discussion? Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

Thank you, Madam President. On this subject, Senator Watson

and I have talked about putting an amendment on this bill or the previous bill to reinstate the full faith and credit language. Because of time and discussions with the Bureau of the Budget, we just weren't able to do it. We do have a House bill coming over that I will be sponsoring and we will address this question of the full faith and credit. So, hopefully, before the end of this Session, we will address what Senate Bill 464 addresses and reinstate a reliable funding source for College Illinois programs. So I'm supportive of this, but I want to assure you that this is a concern of mine, as it should be of all of ours, and we will address it before we get out of here this spring.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill -- do you wish to close, Senator?

SENATOR WATSON:

Well, thank you. It's not really necessary, but I would want to say that this program has been a huge success. Huge success. Far outsees their -- their -- what they thought would be accomplished and it's one that I think will be a major benefit to the young people of our State. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 464 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 51 voting Aye, none voting Nay, 8 voting Present. This bill, having

received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 465. Senator Berman. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 465.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 465 addresses a problem which is somewhat unique but that requires addressing. In Illinois, a minor cannot make a will, and without a will, the minor's property will pass what we call intestate, according to the train -- chain of heirship, which is usually to his parents or her parents. Usually this is not a financial problem, but when there is a minor's estate in excess of six hundred and fifty thousand dollars, then there comes in the problem of federal estate taxes. And what this bill does is to provide the minor -- I'm sorry, the guardian of the minor and the minor's estate the --

the authority to do tax planning and estate planning for that minor's estate in order to save and reduce the tax exposure of that minor's estate. And we amended it at the request of the Judiciary Committee so it applies to all minor's estates. I'd be glad to respond to any questions, and I solicit your Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion on this question? Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

I actually support Senator Berman's bill, but I'm rising on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR OBAMA:

I just wanted the Senate to welcome a group of high school students from the Chicagoland area who are here studying the legislative process and are particularly interested in welfare reform. They're part of a program at Columbia College and are cub

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reporters who are publishing a newspaper on this issue. And I want them -- the Senate to give them a warm welcome here in Springfield. They're behind the Senate gallery.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Will our guests stand up, please, to be recognized? Thank you for coming. Any further discussion on Senator Berman's bill? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 465 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 469. Senator Sieben. Will you read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 469.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Madam President. This legislation amends the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and Child Act and the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 to provide that a support obligation, or any portion of a support obligation, which becomes due and remains unpaid for thirty days or more shall accrue interest at the rate of nine percent per year. This is the same rate as in the Code of Civil Procedure for interest on judgments. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 469 pass. All those in

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favor, vote Aye. All those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, 1 voting Nay, 1 voting -- none -- none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 473. Senator Donahue? Out of the record. Senate Bill 480. Senator O'Malley? 480. Out of the record. Senate Bill 487. Senator Syverson. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 487.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Madam President. On Senate Bill 487 -- addresses some of the consumer concerns that have been in the area of roofing and really culminates two or three years of work -- of work being done by the -- by Senator Burzynski and the Home

Builders and the Roofing. I think we have an agreement that -- excuse me, that everyone has agreed to that addresses the main concerns regarding roofing. I'll be happy to answer any questions that anyone might have regarding...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 487 pass. All those in -- all those in favor will vote Aye. All -- all those opposed will vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required

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constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 496. Senator Rauschenberger? Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 496.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. {sic} President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 496 enshrines in statute the last details of an agreement reached between the Department and operators of landfills. In our effort to make sure that we have less landfill problems in the future, we have now precluded the establishment of landfills in hundred-year floodplains. We have some landfills that existed in them. The agreement that was reached said that if you expanded a landfill that was located in a hundred-year floodplain, that you have to increase the level of insurance that you insured the State of Illinois with. If you simply maintained that landfill and -- at the same size and dimensions, you could continue to operate it until closure. That's all this does, is makes it clear that's what the agreement was. With the new administration and with differing interpretations of what the discussions were, this clarifies, for all time, that if you expand a landfill in a floodplain, you do have to buy the hundred-year assurance to the State. If you continue to operate it, you're under the fifty-year obligation you had prior.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

I have a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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He indicates he will yield.

SENATOR WELCH:

Senator Rauschenberger, in the bill, in Section (b)(1) and (b)(2), Section 22.19a, Floodplain, it says a sanitary landfills or waste disposal site initially permitted for development or construction by the Agency before August 19th, 1997. Can you tell me how many landfills meet that criteria?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Senator Welch, I don't want to give you misleading information, but to the best of my knowledge, there's exactly three.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Could you tell me how many there are for subsection (b)(2)?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I think it's still just three that meet that definition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Walsh {sic}.

SENATOR WELCH:

Now, is this going to reduce the financial assurance mechanisms in Section 22.19b for the -- for the amended part of this bill, which is -- a landfill that ceased accepting waste on or before August 19th? Is it going to give them a break on complying with that or does it extend it to cover them under your financial assurance mechanisms in the next section?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

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SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I don't think I'd characterize it as a break. What it's saying is that if you were permitted and sited prior to the -- to the date certain, that you are under the -- you were under the current statutory requirements as of the time of siting. If, however, you decided to expand that landfill or change its operations, then you would fall under the new requirements for assurance.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 496 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote No. The voting is open.

Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all
voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are
49 voting Aye, 7 voting Nay, 1 voting Present. And this bill,
having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby
declared passed. Senate Bill 498. Senator Rauschenberger. 498?
Read the bill, Madam...

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 498.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. {sic} President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
Senate. Senate Bill 498 requires the Department of Public Aid to
immediately promulgate all rules and to take all other necessary
actions so that provided services may be accessed from
optometrists without discrimination between like service
providers. In essence there's -- there's some conflict between
the Department of Public Aid and the optometrists about how they

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have to code to receive reimbursement for their services. It's a -- it's kind of a complex issue, but essentially this bill is -- doesn't accomplish their goals. But it's -- it's a -- it's a message centered to the Department of Public Aid that if -- if optometrists or an opthamologist provides identical services that both agree are within the scope of practice, that the Department of Public Aid should treat their reimbursement precisely the same. We're moving this along. Hope to have a clearer solution by negotiating with the Department.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 498 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 503. Senator Cronin. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 503.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you very much, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill is proposed by my State's Attorney, State's Attorney Joe Birkett, from DuPage County. Amends the Code of

Corrections by providing that a court may impose an extended term upon a defendant who was at least seventeen at the time of the commission of the offense if the defendant has been previously

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adjudicated delinquent for what would have been a Class X or a Class 1 felony if he were tried as an adult. This just permits a judge to take into consideration a prior heinous crime of a -- of a -- of an individual who is now in front of him as an adult but committed a Class X or a Class 1 felony as a -- a juvenile. And it just permits him to take it into consideration. I ask for your favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 503 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 517. Senator Dillard? Senator Dillard? Senator Dillard. Would you recognize

Senator Dillard?

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President. I'd like to table this legislation if I could. I have a resolution, a Senate joint resolution, that effectively will do the same thing. So I would like to table, with the permission of the Body, Senate Bill 517.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

With objection, leave is given to Senator Dillard to table 517. The bill is tabled. Senate Bill 541. Senator Dillard. Madam Secretary, will you read the bill?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 541.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill comes from the Illinois Hospital Association upon a recommendation of the American Hospital Association that we

enact in Illinois, since we have never had one, a uniform standard for the retention of hospital records. And essentially, it's ten years that the hospitals have to keep control of these records. There are stringent protection of confidentiality and other things. And Senator Obama yesterday added a penalty should anybody improperly give out these records. It's not controversial, and I'd be happy to answer any questions. Appreciate a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 541 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 561. Senator Obama. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 561.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill defines the specific mental health services under the Health Care Surrogate Act. As

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some of you may know, we 're been working for awhile with the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code to make provisions for the administration of authorized involuntary treatment. In this case, we've arrived at an agreement between the Chicago Bar Association and the Illinois State Medical Society that helps clarify some of the language under which surrogates can operate in the case of authorized involuntary treatment. I know of no opposition. This came out of -- unanimously out of the Public Health Committee, and I'd ask for an affirmative vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 561 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 563. Senator Radogno? Madam Secretary, will you read the bill?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 563.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill will allow the Department of Public Health to release certain hospital violation information to the public. It does require that patient records be kept confidential and it requires that certain information be posted. This issue was raised by a series of articles in the Southtown newspaper. When we started to examine the issue, there

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was no disagreement that we needed to look at what information was available to the public. The bill has no opposition, and I would be happy to try to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 563 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote No. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question,

there are 59 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. And this bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 574. Senator Hawkinson? Out of the record. Senator Dudycz, on Senate Bill 575. Do you this bill to be returned to 2nd Reading? Senator Dudycz. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 575.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 595, as already amended...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

You mean 575?

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Senate Bill 575. What did I say?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

You said 595, that's why I corrected you.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

I'm sorry. 575, as amended, is an initiative of the Chicago

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Park District. It provides for the sale, transfer, or lease of park district lands. Public notice of the proposal to sell or transfer land of less than three acres shall be published for three successive weeks at least thirty days before the opening of bids. Proposals to sell the land that exceeds three acres must first be also approved by the circuit court. There's new language providing for lease-back provisions. Whenever the park districts leases or transfers property to another person and immediately enters into a lease-back agreement, the property shall remain exempt from property taxation. The park district shall notify the Cook County Assessor of any lease-back agreements and the Assessor shall determine initial and continuing compliance. The bill further provides that the park district land may be leased, subleased, assigned or otherwise transferred less than fee simple interest and any lands or other property, including abandoned railroad rights-of-way to any person or persons. It also, among other things, changes the name of the superintendent of employment to the director of human resources. The bill is supported by the Chicago Park District, the Association of Park Districts and the City of Chicago. I know of no opposition. It passed out of committee unanimously. I would seek your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Hearing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 575 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. All opposed will vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all

voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Aye, none voting Nay, 1 voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 579. Senator Walsh? Out of the record. At the sponsor's request, we will not read the rest of page 11, 12 and 13, all the way to -- to 632, on page 14. Senator

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Weaver, do you wish 640 heard? Senator Munoz, do you wish Senate Bill 644 heard? Senate -- Madam Secretary, will you read Senate Bill 644?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 644.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Munoz.

SENATOR MUNOZ:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 644 amends the Code of Corrections relating to blood testing. Under current law, blood testing only exists for sex offenders. The amendment expands the existing program to include serious

violent crimes. Initially it was for all forcible felonies, but State Police were concerned about the cost of testing for all forcible felonies, so it has been narrowed to first degree murder, second degree murder, kidnapping, aggravated kidnapping, home invasion, vehicular invasion, vehicular hijacking and aggravated vehicular hijacking. The purpose is to expand the database of genetic information available to law enforcement agencies for identification purposes. After 2002, the additional attempted robbery, armed robbery, burglary and possession of burglary tools will go into effect as well. The proponents of the bill are the City of Chicago, Illinois State Police and the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police. There's no known opposition at this time. I'd ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Yes, would the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

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He indicates that he will.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Some of the crimes that you've listed obviously are probationable. Not all of them are Class X felonies, especially the ones that are coming after year 2000. If -- if you get probation, do you then have the right to say, "I don't want to be blood tested?" And if you say, "No, I don't want to have to -- I don't want to do this," what can they do to force you to do it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Munoz.

SENATOR MUNOZ:

Senator, it's my understanding on the bill, you don't have the right to refuse and if you -- probation, you'll be charged with a misdemeanor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Just quickly, one last question and if you did it, you don't have to repeat yourself. The reason they need this blood is so -- it's sort of like fingerprints, that if they have blood on a -- on the scene, three years later they can match it with this blood. They're not trying to develop and look through genetics to see a certain gene that causes crime and some Frankenstein type thing. It's more like fingerprinting? Okay.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Do you wish to close?

SENATOR MUNOZ:

At this time, I'd ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR GEO-KARIS)

The question is, shall House -- Senate Bill 644 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed will vote Nay. The voting

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is open. Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wished? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, none voting Nay, none voting Present. This bill, having received the required constitutional majority, is hereby declared passed. Senate Bill 646. Senator...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Watson, do you wish to return Senate Bill 646 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purposes of an amendment? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 646. Madam Secretary, have there been any amendments filed for -- approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Watson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Watson, on Amendment No. 2.

SENATOR WATSON:

Thank you very much, Madam President. This legislation and this amendment was heard this morning in the Public Health and

Welfare Committee, passed out unanimously. We, in southern Illinois, are attempting to bring a open heart surgery facility to the people that -- that we represent. There's been several meetings over the last several years concerning the three hospital groups that are trying to -- collaborative effort to put together a facility. What we found was there was some concern among the hospital groups about anti-trust and asking for some immunity. So what we've done is we've brought the Attorney General's Office in, the Health Facilities Planning Board and others to come up with an amendment, which we have here before us, that will grant some immunity to anti-trust concerns that the hospital groups have, if they are to colaboratively try to put together a facility that meets the needs of southern Illinois. As I mentioned, it passed out unanimously and I'd ask for your approval.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it and the amendment is adopted. Are there further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator O'Malley, on Senate Bill 648? Out of the record. Senator Larry Walsh. Read the bill -- on Senate Bill 650. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 650.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Walsh.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. This bill creates the Illinois Natural Resource Congress Act. The purpose of the Congress is to propose and advocate actions that can be taken by elected and appointed officials to protect, conserve and appropriately use the natural resources of the State to ensure that opportunities are available for the enjoyment of natural resources to enhance quality of life for our Illinois citizens and future generations. I know of no opposition and ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Senator -- Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 650 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all

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voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 650, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Watson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes, thank you, Madam President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes. I'd like to welcome a group we have here from Kaskaskia Community College, located in -- in my district. They're in the Republican side of the aisle, about twenty students from Kaskaskia College. They're brought to us here with Doctor Alice Jacobs Mumaw {sic} (Mumaw Jacobs), who is the President of Kaskaskia Community College, and also Danny Stover, who's an instructor. And John Nicolay is celebrating his first bill passage from yesterday. He's also with the group.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Will you please rise and be welcomed? Welcome to Springfield. Senator Peterson, on Senate Bill 666. Out of the record. Senator Radogno, on Senate Bill 672. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 672.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill also deals with the issue of hospital licensure. We have -- this bill proposes

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creating a task force in order to have a comprehensive look at how hospitals are licensed, how many entities review what hospitals are doing. The bill creates the task force and asks them to report their recommendations back to the General Assembly January 1st, 2000. I am unaware of any opposition to this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 672 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no

Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 672, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Obama, on Senate Bill 680. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 680.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Obama.

SENATOR OBAMA:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 680 creates an Employment Skills Enhancement Demonstration Project in three counties to allow current and former TANF recipients to improve their existing job skills, obtain additional or alternative employment skill, or learn interpersonal communication and other related skills. There are programs like this in a number of other states: Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, California, Virginia and Maryland. All have proven to be very successful. I know of no opposition. This came out of the Public Health Committee on the Agreed Bill List, and I'd ask for a favorable vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 680 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 680, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. 688 through Senate Bill -- or, 713 will be held, according to the sponsor. Senator O'Malley, on Senate Bill 728. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill -- pardon me, Senate Bill 728.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 728 with -- in its amended form -- Madam President, we'd like to take this out of the record for right now.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Out of the record. Senator Radogno, on Senate Bill 753. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 753.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Peterson, for what purpose do you seek recognition.

SENATOR PETERSON:

For personal privilege, Madam Speaker --

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR PETERSON:

...President. Like to introduce on the -- in the gallery on the Democratic side the students from the Lake County College, with Charlie Schultz and that -- represented by all of us, Senator Link, Senator Geo-Karis, myself and Senator Parker, and we'd like to welcome them to the General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Will you please rise and be welcomed by the Illinois Senate?
Senator Shadid, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SHADID:

Thank you, Madam President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR SHADID:

Yes, in the Democratic gallery in the Senate today are students from Illinois Central College who are visiting today for Student Lobby Day. Student -- student leaders are Nesha Burton-Stewart, Heidi Johnston, Andel Jowers, Leah Leas, LeNell Morlan and Denise Pemberton. They are joined by staff members Cindy Byrd and Glenda Leas. Would you help me recognize them?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Will you please rise and be welcomed by the Illinois Senate? Welcome to Springfield. We are on the bottom of page 15 with Senate Bill 753. Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill will amend the Rights of the Crime -- of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. It allows the Attorney General to establish a statewide notification system and allows other officials to participate in that system. It also creates an advisory committee to the Attorney General, and it will

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provide civil immunity to the Attorney General and his or her employees.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 753 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 753, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Cronin, on Senate Bill 756. Senator Cronin, on Senate Bill 756. Out of the record. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 773. Out of the record. Senator Lauzen, on Senate Bill 777. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 777.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 777 removes the four tenths of one percent fund building tax for every year after 1999 in the Unemployment Insurance. Right now we have a surplus -- a two-billion-dollar surplus that's held in Washington, D.C. of taxes paid by employers on the first nine thousand dollars of wages paid on every employee in the State of Illinois. What this does is -- would reduce the fund building account and hopefully we'd get back to the level where labor and management had agreed back in approximately 1992 that it should be about nine hundred and fifty million. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Is there a discussion? Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Thank you, Madam President. A question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Senator Lauzen, the AFL-CIO, of course, is opposed to this pending the agreed bill process, but Illinois Department of Employment Securities has not been able to provide us with any idea as to what sort of impact this bill would have on the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund. The last projections provided by the Department stated that the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund would be bankrupt in the year 2002. Senator, can you provide any official data that would dispute this Department's projections?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

I believe that the Department has -- there is a moratorium on all analyses. I talked to Jim over in that Department. I

understand that there's a moratorium on all analysis, so I'm not exactly sure where your figures are coming from. But I do remember three years ago when we discussed this matter when we decreased the burden of this tax on all business and all employees in Illinois, that the person sitting in the chair right next to you made the same argument and said that in -- by 1999, that the -- the Fund would be bankrupt. And not only has it not gone to zero, it hasn't even gone back to -- I think it was five hundred million dollars at that point, that the projections were. It didn't even go to the nine hundred million. It didn't even stay where it was, at 1.6 billion. It's increased to nearly two billion dollars. And I figure that you and I would agree that

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it's better for us to have those hundreds of millions of dollars back in Illinois so that workers of Illinois can prosper from them, rather than sitting in a bank account indirectly subsidizing the federal deficit.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Senator Lauzen, I agree, but I don't think anybody realized

how well the economy would be doing. The last time the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund went bankrupt, the State had to borrow from the federal government in order to pay unemployment insurance benefits. In addition, business received a tax increase and workers received a cut in benefits. What do we do if the economy doesn't stay as good as it is now?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

I'm sorry. Would -- could you repeat your question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

We're concerned about what do we do -- because the last time it went bankrupt, we had to decrease benefits and borrow from the federal government. Now what do we do if the economy goes bad again?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

First of all, there's several things. There are several safeguards in the unemployment insurance system that weren't in place back when -- actually the -- the bankrupting of the system occurred when -- I believe that it was Dan Walker was our Governor

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and both houses controlled by Democrats. We have several safeguards now. First of all, more sophisticated projected -- projecting tools, unfortunately not sophisticated enough not to have projected it right for 1999. Second, there are safety trip nets that if the Unemployment Insurance Trust balance goes to, I believe it's somewhere between four hundred to five hundred million dollars, that automatically rates increase and benefits decrease so that there's that safety net. And then, finally, we're staring at the largest - if I'm not mistaken - I'm almost positive that this is the largest surplus in this account in the history of the State of Illinois, and we're asking for a very modest four tenths of one percent fund building decrease. This is the amount that every employer in Illinois has to pay on every employee. That's four tenths of one percent. And what this does is just says that we have this huge surplus, we just want to bring it back into a more reasonable level, and so we use up some of that slack.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Yes, a question of the sponsor, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Senator Lauzen, isn't it true that when we had some economic turn downs in the economy in prior years, that the business community was mandated to increase their rates to pay for these unemployment benefits as an assurance that the benefits would continue to our unemployed employees?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

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Yes, Senator.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Isn't it also true that when we reach a certain level - and I think you indicated in the debate that we are the highest level in the Trust Fund that we have ever been in the history of Illinois - that if we could at least free some of those dollars up, we could create additional jobs and more benefits for the employees and for the economy that we've been able to enjoy so far? Isn't that still true?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator -- Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

It's a good point. Yes, it is still true.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

So I guess, to the Chamber, I think it would be incumbent upon us to continue our efforts in keeping Illinois' economy moving and still at the same time protect our employees, which we're doing, and I would certainly support the Senator's efforts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. In response to the previous speaker, I think that he -- he stopped a little bit short. The two questions -- or the two comments he made to the sponsor were correct. But he forgot the third part of the -- the element which was that our workers did receive reduced benefits and it's my understanding that those benefits have not increased back up to the level where they were

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before that, since that reduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Madam President. Just a brief comment. This is just another in a long string of anti-organized labor legislation. And I ask my colleague on the other side to take a serious look at what we're doing here. It's fine to be -- have your positions, but to just constantly, as we have in this Session, go after the organized labor movement, the working men and women of Illinois, is simply wrong, and I urge a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Lauzen, to close.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill is for the working men and women of Illinois. The stronger our economy is, the more capital that we have going through this economy, the lower the indirect expenses for labor are, the more jobs there are going to be and the higher paying jobs we can obtain in Illinois. When any of us in this Chamber overpay our taxes, what do we do? We ask for a refund. This mechanism that I've seen supported by the Governor in a comment in Crain's Chicago Business is a way of getting back some of the money that has been overpaid into this Fund. It just makes good, old-fashioned common sense. I'd appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 777 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who

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received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed.
Senator Hendon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Halvorson was trying to be recognized for a verification of the roll call, I do believe. Her light was lit.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

It's not lit, Senator Hendon, but a verification is always in order. Senator Halvorson has requested a verification. Will all Senators be in their seats? Will the Secretary read the affirmative votes?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

The following Members voted in the affirmative: Bomke, Burzynski, Cronin, Dillard, Donahue, Dudycz, Fawell, Geo-Karis, Hawkinson, Wendell Jones, Karpel, Klemm, Lauzen, Luechtefeld, Robert Madigan, Mahar, Maitland, Myers, Noland, O'Malley, Parker, Peterson, Petka, Radogno, Rauschenberger, Sieben, Sullivan, Syverson, Thomas Walsh, Watson, Weaver, and Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Halvorson, do you question the presence?

SENATOR HALVORSON:

No. Thank you, Madam President. It looks like everybody showed up.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

On a verified roll call, 32 Ayes, 27 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 777, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 778. Senator Peterson. Out of the record. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 784. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 784. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 784.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the

Senate. This bill we've worked on for quite awhile in the Senate Judiciary Committee, and Senator Hawkinson has assisted me on this. And it simply says that where there are separate periods of incarceration, you do not have to combine them to reach a hundred-and-twenty-day speedy trial type of provision. It's kind of technical, and I think it's now in good shape and I'd be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes, thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. I know the bill's going to pass. Every once in awhile, though, when cases go to the Supreme Court, debate on the Senate and House Floor gets -- ends up in -- being quoted in the -- by the Supreme Court or the Appellate Court, and I believe in this particular case this bill has some real constitutional problems. I appreciate the fact that Senator Dillard has amended it to make it less unconstitutional, but I'd like to just put on the record that I believe it does have some serious problems 'cause what we're talking about is a defendant's right to a speedy trial. And for that reason, I'm asking the Supreme Court if they would please quote me, as saying I think this is against the law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? Is there further discussion?
Seeing none, Senator Dillard, to close.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President. And while I've had some of my

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Acts ruled unconstitutional lately by the Supreme Court, I do believe that this Act, especially with Harvard Law graduate, Senator Carl Hawkinson's fine tooth combing and refining of this bill, I believe this bill is constitutional. And I'd appreciate a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 784 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 45 Ayes, 10 voting Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 784, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Petka, on Senate Bill 795. Senator Petka. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 795.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

Thank you very much, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 795 amends the Title Insurance Act and deletes the definition of "business guaranteeing of insuring titles to real estate" and offers a new definition of the term "title insurance business." Questions that had arisen in connection with this legislation, I believe were answered with the amendment that was adopted yesterday. I'm not aware of any opposition. I urge its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator DeLeo.

SENATOR DeLEO:

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Thank you, Madam President. Because of a potential conflict of interest, I'll be voting my conscience on Senate Bill 795.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

I -- I also want to declare a conflict of interest and won't be voting at all.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

The sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

If I -- if I read the title up there, does this refer to title insurance?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

I'm sorry, Madam President. I don't believe that her microphone was out -- was on. I -- I did not hear the question.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Can you hear me now?

SENATOR PETKA:

Yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Thank you, Madam President. I notice on that board its says "Title Insurance Act definition." Does this have anything to do with competing rates -- rather, rates being set for title insurance companies?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

Senator, I -- I'm aware of your concern, but this bill has nothing to do with that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 795 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 795, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Mahar, on Senate Bill 805. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 805.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Thank you, Madam President. Thank you, Madam President. This creates the Illinois Fire Distribution Fund. Comes to us from the Illinois Fire Protection Districts Association. The amendment, which we put on yesterday, specifies that any money into this it will -- is subject to the appropriations process. I know of no

opposition. Would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Madam President. Will the speaker -- sponsor yield?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Senator -- Senator Mahar, what is the total annual cost of this program?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Zero. If no money is appropriated by the General Assembly, then there's no money in the Fund.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

So just as a follow-up, it is subject to appropriations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 805 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 805, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator O'Malley, on Senate Bill 823. Out of the record. Senator Noland, on Senate Bill 824. Out of the record. Senator Robert Madigan, on Senate Bill 825. Senator Robert Madigan. Out of the record. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 834. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 834.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Dillard.

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SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the

Senate. This is a very simple bill. It just adds two more members to the unpaid Illinois Research Park Authority.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 834 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 834, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Trotter, do you wish to recall Senate Bill 844 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purposes of amendment? Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 844. Read the bill -- or, read the... Are there any amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Trotter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Madam President, please, if we can take it back to 3rd. I've just been informed again that we have a second amendment coming and we haven't received it yet.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Out of the record. Senator O'Malley, on Senate Bill 845. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 845.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Madam -- thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 845, as amended, amends the Criminal Code by creating a new section which defines "laser" or "laser device". It also creates a new section that defines "laser gun sight". It amends the aggravated assault section by providing that it is a Class 4 felony when a person knowingly and without lawful justification shines or flashes a laser gun sight or other laser device that is attached or affixed to a firearm or used in concert with a firearm. It amends the aggravated battery section by providing that it's a Class 3 felony when a person knowingly and without lawful justification shines or flashes a laser gun sight or other laser device that is attached or affixed to a firearm so that the laser beam strikes upon or against the person of another. And it also creates a new offense of aiming a laser pointer at a -- at a peace officer. Provides that it is a Class A

misdemeanor to intentionally or knowingly shine a laser device at a person he or she knows or reasonably should know to be a peace officer. I'd be happy to answer any questions there may be.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Thank you. Would the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Thank you. Senator O'Malley, I don't have the bill in front of me so I just have to ask this. The only thing you're talking about is if you -- if someone shines the laser beam at a police officer. We're not talking about if he shines at -- at anybody

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else but a police officer on this Class A misdemeanor?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Senator Molaro, if your question is limited to a laser beam that is not attached to a weapon, the answer to your question is

yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

One last -- one last question then. When it's attached to a gun, obviously, that's pretty serious. Do you think you'll run into any problems the fact that when you put this laser beam, you certainly -- and someone hits with -- is hit with this laser beam, there's certainly an apprehension of an aggravated battery happening. So, you know, almost like a -- sort of like an aggravated assault, as opposed to aggravated battery. Do you think that we have enough to go to battery, because the battery -- the definition of it by law must be unlawful contact, some type of contact. And assault is where you're in apprehension of a battery, which really what this is. And I just want to make sure that we're not going to run into problems because what you're trying to do is -- is very important.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Senator Molaro, thank you for your question because it's important for those of us who are not lawyers, to the extent we don't understand the difference between an assault and a battery, that that's clear to you. However, there's no question in the minds of scientists and certainly in my mind as the sponsor that particle beams in a laser beam are, in fact, a touching. I'd also

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point out to you, Senator, that we all know of the unfortunate circumstances around the death of Officer Knight in Chicago. Within a week and a half after that occurred, a police officer in Blue Island was driving through the intersection of a -- actually he was parked at the intersection of 127th and Western Avenue and, of course, there's this -- the aura associated with what happened to Officer Knight, and this particular police officer finds a laser beam placed on him. And guess what? He followed that laser beam and found a young man involved with a laser beam who was trying to intimidate him as a police officer. So I think this is an important initiative. I appreciate your clarification and support for it, Senator Molaro.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? Is there further discussion?
Senator O'Malley, to close.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

I would just appreciate the support of the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Question is, shall Senate Bill 845 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 845, having received the

required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Parker, on Senate Bill 849. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 849.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

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Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 849 is a proposal from the Mental Health Association. What it does is make a good attempt to help those who are involuntarily committed to the Department of Human Services, either in civil proceeding or in a criminal proceeding. The main thrust of the bill is to require the filing, forwarding and review of treatment plans and treatment in order to ensure that the patient is receiving adequate and human care and service and to ensure that the recipient continues to meet the standards for involuntary confinement. I would be glad to ask for an Aye vote and answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 849 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 849, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Maitland, on Senate Bill -- excuse me. Senator Parker, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR PARKER:

I rise for a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR PARKER:

Okay. I have a constituent up in the -- the balcony up there. Her name is Sandy Johnson, and she is in charge -- the executive director for North Shore Senior Center up in my area. She does a wonderful job. Please welcome her to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please rise and be welcomed. Welcome, Sandy. Senator

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Maitland, on Senate Bill 851. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 851.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 851 is one of our pension vehicle bills that we'd like to send to the House. Pension Laws Commission has been busily working on a number of issues and this will no doubt be one of the vehicles that we use to contain some of those issues. I would seek your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 851 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 851, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Robert Madigan, on Senate Bill 854. Read the bill, Madam -- Mr. -- oh! Out of the record. Senator Maitland, on Senate Bill 855? Out of the record. Senator Robert Madigan, on Senate Bill 856. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 856.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Madigan.

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SENATOR R. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. Let me just echo Senator Maitland's remarks with regards to the pension process and moving a pension vehicle along, and I would ask for the Senate's approval on Senate Bill 856.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 856 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 856, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Burzynski, do you seek leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 881 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purposes of an amendment? Hearing no

objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 888. 881. Mr. Secretary, are there any amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Burzynski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Madam President. Amendment No. 1 does become the bill. It requires all bedding which is manufactured, renovated, sanitized, sold or distributed within the State to bear a clear, conspicuous label that states whether the bedding's made from all new materials or is made in whole or in part from secondhand material. This bill has become known as the "Bed Bug Bill." Be more than happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, all

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those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Klemm, on Senate Bill 897. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 897.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

I'm sorry. Please hold that. Take it out of the record. I apologize.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Out of the record. Senator Wendell Jones, on Senate Bill 906. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 906.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Yes, Madam President, Members of the Senate, this bill provides for plan commissions in suburban Cook County. We have a lot of unincorporated areas still in suburban Cook County, and we need plan commissions in order to assist the planning in suburban Cook. We'd appreciate your unanimous vote. Thank you.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Is this -- would the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Is this -- is this like a left-handed slap at the County Board of Cook County, that they wouldn't have enough intelligence or know-how to be able to plan what's needed in Cook County?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Thank you, Senator Molaro. That is a very good question, because certainly we would not want to slap the Cook County Board with our left hand or our right hand. Basically, this would just assist unincorporated areas to plan better, and the municipalities close by can already do this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

So -- so then it must be DuPage County that you're -- you don't feel has the intelligence or the political know-how to be able to plan because they need another commission? I mean, the Senators and the county officials aren't able to do this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Yes. Madam President -- Senator Molaro, this does not affect DuPage County. It only affects the townships in suburban Cook County.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Molaro. Further discussion? Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Senator Jones, there's some rumor going around that these planning commissions are wanting the ability to do away with

township government. Is that your intent?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

I had not -- I had not heard that, Senator Weaver.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Well this is the rumor going around, that you're trying to sneak this through the Senate so you can put that amendment on in the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

A clarification, Senator Weaver: The rumor is that they would do away with townships or with counties?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Well, Senator Viverito informed me that you were trying to do away with townships in -- in Cook County. I just, you know -- maybe it's a good idea, but I -- what are the duties of these planning commissions?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Senator Weaver, if you will notice on page 16, under the description of this bill, Senator Viverito is a cosponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Planned on voting for this bill until you told me that Senator Viverito is -- is a cosponsor. Are you two in cahoots or something?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

He thought it was such a good bill that he came over and asked if he'd {sic} like to have a cosponsor, and of course, being -- bipartisan nature, I said yes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Viverito.

SENATOR VIVERITO:

Thank you, Madam Chairman. Senator Weaver, Senator Jones, I did want to cosponsor this bill, but I am rather concerned about that fact of township government. You know how close it is to me. But does the plant commission, does it -- do they plant, like, flowers, strawberries, or wheat? What do they -- what does a

plant committee do?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

This is a "plan" commission, not a plant commission.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Viverito.

SENATOR VIVERITO:

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Oh, so it's a "plan," not -- not plants, not strawberries and things like that? Because we're trying to have a beautification program going in our township, and we're kind of -- trying to establish a memorial, and I thought if this was a -- that we could do some plants through this and maybe get some kind of a grant.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Senator Viverito, I've been thinking for a long time about a plant commission, and I would certainly work with you on that legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes, would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator...

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Senator, I -- I see when you first introduced the bill, it applied to Cook County and to DuPage County. Then you introduced and passed Senate Amendment No. 1, which removed DuPage County from the bill. Could you please relate to us, verbatim if you can, the conversation you had with whoever it was from DuPage County that convinced you that you should remove DuPage from this bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Senator Dillard is from DuPage County, he indicated that DuPage County was not as interested in this bill as the townships from Cook County were, so we deleted -- we deleted DuPage County with a unanimous vote of the committee.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Well, I'm from Cook County. If I came up to you and said, you know, I don't think I'm interested in having Cook County have the ability to have these plan commissions, would you remove Cook County from the bill, thus leaving a bill that would do absolutely nothing as your first bill to pass?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Senator, we would be happy to remove Chicago from the bill, but suburban Cook County we would like to have stay in.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Well, I think you should inform Senator Dillard that if this bill passes, that Cook County -- DuPage County, where most of my family lives, would be the only county in the whole State of Illinois that couldn't have a plan commission for their townships. I think we've made a terrible mistake, quite frankly, in taking out DuPage, to have them isolated, to have to have them be the only county that -- that is without this ability and leaving us to wait a whole nother year before Senator Dillard can realize the mistake he made and put another bill in to -- to -- to correct it. So, I really think that it's unfortunate that this is your first bill. It was probably a good bill until you took that amendment, and I think that somebody was trying to trick you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

Thank you very much. Will the sponsor yield?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

Senator Jones, this legislation would affect one of our -- one of your constituents, the now United States Senator Peter Fitzgerald. Did you discuss this legislation with him prior to its introduction?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

No. Peter and I chatted the other day, but we did not discuss this.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

One of the -- one of the things that Senator Fitzgerald consistently stated in this Chamber was that we needed a

government that was -- that was leaner, a smaller government. And in looking at the analysis of this bill, it appears that you're heading in exactly the opposite direction. Am I -- is -- is it inaccurate that this is actually an expansion of government in Cook County?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Senator Petka, Senator Fitzgerald and I are both for good planning and this -- this bill is a good planning instrument. So I think you'd find that Senator Fitzgerald would be squarely in the corner of good planning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator -- Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

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Thank you, Madam President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. Senator Jones -- Senator Wendell Jones, I have a

few comments relative to this. I'm a little bit concerned along the same lines as Senator Weaver when he talked about you're trying to abolish township government or whether or not that was your intent. When you initially had DuPage County in this piece of legislation, was it your intent to abolish the DuPage Airport Authority?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

No. As a matter of fact, if you would check the record, I sponsored a bill called the Lincolnland Airport Authority. So, quite the contrary. I'm in favor of airport authorities.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Well -- and then this doesn't have anything to do with the third airport in DuPage County or anything? That's the other rumor I'm hearing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

No, it does not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Well, in -- in light of the fact that this is a planning commission, is this a planning commission for your reelection?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

No, it isn't. I have not announced that I'm running for reelection.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

My -- my understanding is you could use -- actually it's election committee. My understanding is you could use all the help you could get. Well then, does this bill have anything to do -- does this bill have anything to do with family planning, Senator Jones?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

No. The plan commission does not get into family planning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Just -- just one -- one final comment then. I'm really

curious as to what this does. I -- I don't know how many unincorporated areas there are in Cook County, but I'm sure that you found at least one. I -- but I have real reservations about this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Will the sponsor yield, please, for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Jacobs.

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SENATOR JACOBS:

Senator, to follow up a little bit on what Senator Weaver was saying, the rumor has it over here that this is a bill that Senator Viverito could not get passed, and, therefore, you're handling it for him. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

I'm sure if Senator Viverito was on a bill, that it would

pass. I heard him speak the other day in committee, and I have never heard anyone so eloquent in my life.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Senator, the -- I know there's no tax increase with this thing, but -- but I -- our caucus -- our analysis does state one thing, and I'd like to have you explain it to me. The -- where's it at now? "The plan may be adopted in whole or in separate geographical or functional parts, each of which, when adopted, shall be the official plan, or part of the official plan, of that township." In your parlance, can you give me a good definition of what we should all consider to be "functional parts?"

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

I think that means just unincorporated areas of a township.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussions? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

So that has nothing to do with body functions or anything such as that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

That did not come up in the Local Government Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Madam President. Senator, since you're -- you have this bill and townships are all over the State, what is your intention in this Senate? Are you going to follow your predecessor and run for the U.S. Senate?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

I think the only thing that perhaps I'd be interested in would be township supervisor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Senator Wendell Jones, have you -- have you discussed this bill with Senator Emil Jones?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Wendell Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

I have not -- I have not discussed this with Senator Jones.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

I think all of your fellow freshmen are -- commend you today as our senior member of the freshman class and finally getting your first bill out, but we do have one question. You are a former school superintendent, correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

I was a director of special education.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

There -- in our staff analysis, there are -- I was wondering if you could help us with some of these numbers that are thrown around in here, such as a -- if a variance is a variation of ten percent, or such variance is by three-fourths, or if there's a three-member board, it's only two-thirds. Could you walk us through some of those numbers?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Yes. The three-fourths refers to a statutory objection that may be filed by a municipality or a township, if you have a five-member commission. If you have a three-member commission, it's a two-thirds vote for a statutory objection. But thank you very much for your question anyway.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Thank you, Madam President. Will the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Hendon.

SENATOR HENDON:

Senator Jones, if -- if Senator Demuzio and Senator Emil Jones had a fight and Senator Jones needed a blood transfusion, would you be able to give him one?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Based on my latest test results, I don't think either one of them would want my blood.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Well, thank you, Madam President. I was sitting here intently listening to the debate, and the main question that popped in my head was -- Senator Jones, I'm talking to you. Senator Jones. The main question that popped in my head was - maybe you could answer it once and for all, for all of us - is it Wendell Jones or Wendell Jones?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

It's Wendell.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Well, when Senator Cullerton asked you about the City of Chicago being part of Cook County and -- and you quite openly were willing to remove the City of Chicago from your legislation, what was the purpose of that? Why -- what do you have against Chicago?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

I have nothing against Chicago. I just am not sure they need a plan commission.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

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Well then, if you're including the City of Chicago, which townships -- which Chicago townships are going to be included in this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

The townships in Chicago are not included in this bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further -- Senator -- further discussion? Senator Jones, to close.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'd like to point out that I was in the 90th General Assembly and technically I'm not a rookie. So I went through this because my colleagues have gone through it, but I was in the 90th General Assembly, having cosponsored Governor Edgar's appointments. And so I would appreciate -- so I would appreciate fifty-nine votes on this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 906 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 906, having received the constitutional majority, is declared passed. Congratulations, Senator Jones. Senator Emil Jones, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR E. JONES:

Madam President, a personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

State your point, sir.

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SENATOR E. JONES:

This hasn't anything to do with the other side of the Jones's, but we have in the gallery here the AKA sorority, the Alpha Chi Alpha -- Alpha Phi Alpha -- sorority -- Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority. They're -- they're joining us in the Illinois Senate. This is a sorority founded in 1908, made up of African-American

women. They do a lot of good for youngsters in our communities throughout this country. It's a strong sorority. Let's give them a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Welcome to Springfield. We're glad to have you. Senator Hendon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HENDON:

A point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

State your point.

SENATOR HENDON:

Along with the beautiful women from the AKAs, we also have the illustrious, dynamic and outstanding wife of my colleague, Congressman Danny K. Davis, Vera Davis, and we'd like her to be recognized.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Welcome to Springfield. All right. On the top of page 17 is Senate Bill 929. Senator Obama. Senator Obama. Out of the record. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 936. Out of the record. Senator Geo-Karis, on Senate Bill 949. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 949.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Bill 949, as amended, gives the current DCFS and private provider employees until January 1, 2003, to obtain the required license. Senate Bill 949 requires all new employees to obtain a license as specified in Department rule. And Senate Bill 949 requires DCFS, by January 1, 2000, to develop a plan to ensure that current employees will be able to acquire the knowledge and skill necessary to obtain the license. There's no known opposition to this bill, and I ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Would the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Indicates she'll yield, Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Is there anyone grandfathered in under this Act, Senator?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

I think essentially that's what we're doing with the current employees.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jones -- or, Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Beg your pardon? I didn't hear the answer, number one.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

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It's essentially what we're doing with the present legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

It's -- I received a call, that's why I'm asking, that they're going to be licensed, but someone who has been involved in the process for twenty-five years, goes through all the mandatory courses, et cetera, still, as I understand it under this legislation, would have to go out and get the necessary qualifications then to be -- I mean, to get the license, get the

education requirements to be licensed. Is that correct?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Senator Jacobs, that's already current law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Jacobs. Further discussion? Further discussion?
Seeing none, Senator Geo-Karis, to close.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

I ask for a favorable vote. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Question is, shall Senate Bill 949 pass. Those in favor will
vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted
who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?
Take -- the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays,
none voting Present. Senate Bill 949, having received the
required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With leave
of the Body, WCIA-Channel 3 requests leave to videotape. Is leave
granted? Leave is granted. On the Order of 3rd Reading is Senate
Bill 953. Senator Rea? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 953.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rea.

SENATOR REA:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 953, with the Senate Amendment 1, which actually rewrote the -- the bill -- some technical changes were made, but -- and it basically became the bill. But mainly there was a compromise here but -- which is an agreed bill now, an agreed amendment, between the Illinois State Medical Society and the Illinois Hospital and Health Systems Association. It retains the intent of 953, as introduced, and the intent of 953 was to get the medical staff involved in the decision-making process concerning who gets on the staff membership and medical staff privileges at the hospitals. I know of no opposition to it now, because this is an agreed bill by the various principals. Would ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 953 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 953, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Klemm, on Senate Bill 958. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 958.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Yes, thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 958 changes the population so that counties in the conservation district who have seven board members can continue to have seven. There is a limit of population of two hundred thousand, and we've raised that to three hundred thousand so that those conservation districts that have a seven-person board can continue to have that number on their board. And I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there -- is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 958 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 58

Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 958, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 967. Senator Radogno. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 967.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill will create a Recycled Content Products Study Act. It establishes a task force, the purpose of which is to make recommendations to the State as to how we might enhance the consumption of recycled products in order to make our efforts at collection more worthwhile. They are to report back to the General Assembly in 2001. I'd be happy to try to answer any questions.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 967 pass. Those in favor will vote

Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 967, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 980. Senator Emil Jones. Senator Jones on the Floor? Senator -- okay. Senate Bill 993. Senator Mahar. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 993.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Over the past couple of Sessions of the General Assembly, a great deal of attention has been paid to the Members' opportunity and ability to waive tuition at various universities on behalf of their constituents. And even though the tuition waiver by the General Assembly is some four to five million dollars and may represent fifteen hundred to eighteen hundred students annually, the university systems around the State are able to waive -- around thirty-nine thousand tuitions to people around the State at the cost of over -- well over a hundred million dollars. What Senate Bill 993 does is apply the same standard that we have applied to our tuition waivers; namely, that they be required as having public disclosure. Prior to a student agreeing to accept a waiver, they will have to sign off on the fact that they will give their

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name, their address, their attending university, the degree program, the amount of tuition or fees waived and whether the waiver is based on student need. These will be available to anybody through the State Board of Education, as well as the university president's office. I do not know of any opposition to this, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Would the sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Number one, you know, I'm a little concerned whenever we say that -- a basis of need. What is need? You know, sometimes someone may have an income of, say, a hundred thousand dollars but may have three kids in college. So all of a sudden when one looks at the application and says, "Geez, this person makes a hundred thousand, they can afford to pay," but with three kids in college,

that becomes a very difficult situation. And how do we define the term of need?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Thank you, Mr. President. Currently the university systems determine need. We're not trying to make any new definition here. But, secondly, the overwhelming number of these waivers are granted for things other than need. Statutorily we grant things for -- such as ROTC. The statute also for -- allows for half of the tuition to be waived for certain individuals employed by the universities. Those accepting waivers because of athletic

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scholarships are based upon their athletic talent. So this is not something -- this is not something that we are trying to define for those few that probably have need. Number two, this just has nothing to do with those grant-in-aids, the awarding of dollars to students who are truly needy.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

So I understand you correctly then, the student -- or the university makes that decision and -- and takes those things into consideration. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Your bill does not eliminate the legislative scholarships that we give, does it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

No, Senator Geo-Karis. This only applies to public disclosure for those students who accept tuition waivers from the universities -- the university systems. It does not apply -- we already have public disclosure on our tuition waivers.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we legislators have been criticized for having legislative

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scholarships, which amount to about 3.9 percent of about a hundred and twenty-seven million dollars of scholarships given, or you want to call them waivers. And the others are given -- we try to give, those of us -- most of us our conscientious about it. We try to give it to people who really need some help and who we feel merit the help. And when you stop and think of the fact that we have employees of people working in these State colleges getting scholarships, the -- the athletes get scholarships, ROTC gets scholarships, and all other -- there's so many other matters of scholarship that -- waivers, that it appalls me that anyone can criticize the Legislature for their legislative scholarships, considering that teaching assistants get a big portion of waivers for scholarships. And I -- I mean, I'm not against all that, but I don't think it's fair for us to be criticized and condemned when we're trying to help many young people who are need -- in need of those scholarships. I can tell you I've had letters come to me from students I helped with a legislative scholarship twenty years ago. One letter, young lady's name -- her last name was Dicig. She got a one-year scholarship from me and she saw me twenty years later and said, "If it hadn't been for you, I could never have started my college, and now I finished in chemistry and then I went on and worked my way through and now I'm a young lawyer with a very reputable firm, but I owe it to you for starting me out." That's the kind of letters I've been getting, and I think it

behooves my friends in the press - and I love them dearly - to look into our files, and I have the records to show you just how many millions go out, instead of the five million from us for scholarships for the House and Senate. So I think this disclosure is very good that Senator Mahar has in his bill because we disclose everything. We disclose the names of our students and they have to sign a waiver that they have to be disclosed. So, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I'm glad you brought this bill

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up, Senator Mahar, and I urge a favorable support of it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? If not, Senator Mahar, to close. The question is, shall Senate Bill 993 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 993, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. With -- with leave of the Body, we will return to Senate Bills 1009 and 1015. Senate Bill 1016. Senator Weaver. All right. Senate Bill 1017. Senator Weaver. Senate Bill 1024. Senator Robert Madigan.

Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1024.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Madigan.

SENATOR R. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1024, as amended, does three things. It allows companies to transfer insurance policies between affiliates in a holding company system without a cancellation or nonrenewable notice and requires a sixty-day notice, rather than the current thirty-day notice. Amends the definition of "renewal" to include alterations of coverage and eliminates nonrenewal notices to insured when the carrier wants to renew but on altered terms other than the current terms of the policy. I know of no opposition to Senate Bill 1024 and would ask for the approval of Senate Bill 1024, as amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the

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question is, shall Senate Bill 1024 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1024, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1026. Senator Burzynski, do you wish this bill returned to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment? Senator Burzynski seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1026 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1026. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Burzynski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1026's Amendment No. 2 simply provides local treasurers and custodians another option for protecting public deposits.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Thank you very much. Any discussion? Discussion? If not, Senator Burzynski moves the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1026. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. And the motion is adopted -- the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1033. Senator Tom Walsh. Read the

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bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1033.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Walsh.

SENATOR T. WALSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1033 amends the Vehicle Code to allow the Secretary of State to suspend either the driver's license or vehicle plates of motorists failing to pay fines from a minimum of five toll violations. Senate Bill 1033 is patterned after current law that allows the Secretary of State to suspend driving privileges for repeated parking ticket scofflaws. And the Secretary of State is supportive of this bill, and obviously so is the toll road. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1033 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, 1 Member voting Present. Senate Bill 1033, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1039. Senator Rauschenberger. Senate Bill 1047. Senator Cullerton. Senator Cullerton? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1047.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Like Senator Maitland and Senator Madigan, this is a Pension Code vehicle.

Perhaps because of the single subject problems we're going to have this year, we need more of these vehicles and it's -- obviously awaits the possibility of agreement on some pension legislation in the future. Ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1047 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1047, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1054. Senator Watson. Senator Watson? 1054. Senate Bill 1059. Senator Shadid, do you -- Senator Shadid. Senate Bill 1061. Senator Donahue. Senator Donahue, do you wish this bill returned to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment? Senator Donahue seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1061 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1061. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Donahue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Basically this bill -- or, this

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amendment just guts the bill and -- and leaves it as a shell. Negotiations are continuing and I'd prefer it to be in a shell form, and I would move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Donahue has moved for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1061. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. And the motion is adopted -- the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments approved for consideration, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1062. Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1062.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill does something that the State Police already do, but it just codifies that the Illinois State Police are the appropriate Illinois contact for the National Instant Criminal Background Check System. Apparently, what's known as the NICS system requires actual contact in Illinois and we just want to codify that that contact, which we use when we issue firearm owner identification cards, is the Illinois State Police.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1062 pass. Those in favor will

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vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The -- and the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Mr. Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1062, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1063. Senator Donahue. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1063.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1063 deals with child support -- child support collections, and if you'll remember, the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 requires states to establish a case registry and a central state disbursement unit for the collection of child support. Last year we created the State Case Registry and now Illinois must, by October 1st, create a State Disbursement Area {sic}. That's one, single central unit. And last year when the central disbursement unit was discussed, we kind of expressed our concern with Department of Public Aid's ability to establish that central disbursement unit. So as a result, the Department's worked with the Clerks Association -- the County Clerks Association and they have both agreed, the Department and the -- the Association, to have the DuPage County Clerk, with the Department, to perform the function of this single disbursement unit. Now, the State Disbursement Unit is responsible for collecting all the child support payments for -- for assistance cases and all nonassistance cases and income withholding orders

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that were issued after January 1st, 1994. Now, this legislation does meet -- or, does not exceed what the requirements are under the federal law, but in committee, and this is what I think may answer some questions before they start, the Clerks Association had expressed concern they way the bill was drafted and they had offered a different language. So we sent this language to the federal government and they have since denied the language and said it wouldn't comply with federal law. So we were not able to take it, and so this bill will have to move forward if we're going to be able to meet federal regulation. Also, Senate Bill 1063 makes some technical cleanup, and I would simply ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1063 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1063, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1064. Senator Sullivan. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1064.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Bill 1064 amends the sunset provision of the Office of Inspector General. Without this legislation, the Department of Human

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Services will be without an Inspector General to investigate instances of abuse and neglect. There are no -- there's no known opposition. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1064 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1064, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1065. Senator Donahue. Senate Bill 1067. Senator Donahue. Read the bill -- read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1067.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1067 does a simple thing, and that's allow the Department of Public Aid to receive a two-hundred-thousand-dollar grant from the Ford Foundation. We're not able to accept grants and gifts, and so this simply allows the Department of Public Aid to do that in the -- in the Child Support Enforcement (Trust) Fund.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1067 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes,

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no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1067, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed.

Senate Bill 1082. Senator Peterson. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1082.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1082 was drafted by the Petroleum Marketers' Association with cooperation from the Department of Revenue. It amends the Motor Fuel Tax Act and the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that special fuel sold or used for nonhighway purposes must contain Solvent Red 164 dye and only be transported with conspicuous notice. There's no known opposition to this bill. As I said before, it was drawn up in cooperation with the Department of Revenue. I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1082 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 58 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1062 {sic} (1082), having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1104. Senator Donahue. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1104.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1104 is in a form that it doesn't do anything. We're still negotiating, all the different parties. I'm hopeful, but I'm -- I'm a little -- I'm not sure this is all going to come together, but if -- it deals with carnival rides and rider responsibility. We've been trying a couple of things and I've been working with the Illinois Trial Lawyers' Association to try to come up with language that we can all live with. So if you will let us, it's a shell bill. It has nothing in it at this point. If you move it onto the House, we'll continue our negotiations. If not, it will die a death.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1104 pass. Those in favor will

vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1104, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1106. Senator Donahue. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1106.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

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Thank you very much, Mr. President. This basically is a technical cleanup in respect to the renewal of licenses. Instead of having all the licenses come due at one time of the year, it allows the Departments to stagger them, and I would simply ask your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1106 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1106, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1110. Senator Donahue. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1110.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Gosh, I think I'm getting my whole package through in here ten minutes, but Senate Bill 1110 - thank you, Mr. President - amends the Disabled Veterans Housing Act, and it increases certain grant amounts for housing assistance for disabled veterans from twelve thousand to fifteen thousand, and two thousand to three thousand, respectively. Under current law, any veteran who was a resident of the State of Illinois at the time of such service and suffers permanent and total service-connected disabilities is eligible for assistance under the Disabled Veterans Housing Act. And I would simply ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1110 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1110, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Top of page 19 is Senate Bill 1113. Senator Wendell Jones. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1113.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Mr. President, Members of the Senate, this legislation amends the Illinois Act on Aging to extend the Department on Aging's Long Term Care Ombudsman Program to include hospital-based long-term care facilities. Current legislation only includes facilities licensed under the Long Term Care Act and this will take care of that. ...a positive vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1113 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1113, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1114. Senator Donahue. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

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ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1114.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1114 was requested by the Department of Public Health and it makes several changes to the Health Care Worker Background Check Act and the Nursing Homes Care Act. Specifically, 1114 makes changes to the nurses aide

registry to close an existing loophole and to allow for more consistent tracking of nurses aides that have been convicted of certain excluding crimes under the Health -- Health Care Worker Background Check Act. This bill would require a notation on the registry if a nurses aide has been convicted of one of the excluding offenses. Also Senate Bill 1114 makes several changes to the Health Care Worker Background Check Act designed, further clarifies the Act's application. It clarifies the definition of direct care employee, and allows the Department -- DHS and IDPH to offer guidance to employers in this area. Clarifies that employees with a criminal background cannot be employed in a direct care position during the pendency of a waiver. And, finally, it clarifies that individuals convicted of similar excluding offenses in other states are barred from direct care employment in Illinois. There is no known opposition and I would simply ask you for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1114 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take

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the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1114, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1116. Senator Sullivan. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1116.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, the -- Senate Bill 1116 amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. It expands the electronic fingerprint imaging program from a limited demonstration project to a statewide program. It passed on the Agreed Bill List. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1116 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record, Madam Secretary. On that question, there are 59 Ayes, no Nays, no Members voting Present. Senate Bill 1116, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Molaro, do you wish to return Senate Bill 1121 to the

Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of amendment? You do not.
We understand, Senator Molaro, there is an amendment. You might
want to check with the Secretary. Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

I was informed - I thought we did this before - that

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Amendment No. 1 has been adopted. Oh, if it hasn't, then I would
like it returned.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Molaro wishes to return Senate Bill 1121 to the Order
of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Is there any
objection? Hearing none, we are on the Order of 2nd Reading.
Senate Bill 1121. Madam Secretary, are there any amendments
approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Molaro.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Yes. This is just -- the amendment's just a technical
amendment changing a word from "an" to "or" {sic}.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

You've heard the discussion. Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall we adopt the amendment. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

3rd Reading. With leave of the Body, we're going to return to page 17. We had leave of the -- at that point in time to be able to return to that Order of Business. Page 17. Bill No. 1009. Senator Maitland. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1009.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, and thank you for your

courtesy. Senate Bill 1009, sponsored by Senator Philip and -- and me, is -- is a vehicle bill. It is the single-subject issue again, and would seek support of the Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Does that mean we're going to repeal that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Maitland, to close.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Would appreciate a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Question is, shall Senate Bill 1009 pass. Those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yes, no voting No, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1009, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. ...still on leave to return to page 17. We have Senate Bill 1015. Madam Secretary, please read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1015.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. It would be the same

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explanation on -- on this bill as it was on the previous one.

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Question is, shall Senate Bill 1015 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all vote who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yes, no voting No, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1015, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Madam Secretary, Committee Reports.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senator Weaver, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reports that the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Referred to the Commerce and Industry Committee - Senate Amendments 3 and 4 to Senate Bill 272 and Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 402; referred to the Education Committee - Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1054 and Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1075, Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 19; referred to the Education Committee -- from the Education Committee to the Rules Committee - Senate Amendment No.

1 to Senate Bill 1075; referred to the Environment and Energy Committee - Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 423, Senate Amendments -- Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 427 and Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1046; referred to the Executive Committee - Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 349, Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 968, and Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1172; referred to the Financial Institutions Committee - Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 890; referred to the Insurance and Pensions Committee - Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 579 and Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 721; referred to Judiciary Committee - Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 223, Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 480, Senate

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Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 509, Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 839, and Senate Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 1112; referred to the Licensed Activities Committee - Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 457; referred to the Local Government Committee - Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 206 and Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1131; referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee - Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 353; referred to the Revenue Committee - Senate

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 35 and Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 40; referred to Transportation Committee - Senate Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 578; and Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 311 and Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 640.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator -- Senator Emil Jones, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR E. JONES:

Yeah. Thank you, Mr. President. I know the Secretary read into the record a re-referral of Senate Amendment 1 to 1075, which was in the Education Committee. Now, that was my amendment as relate to the tuition tax credit. The -- the bill -- or, the amendment was already in committee and now you're re-referring that amendment back to the Rules Committee in an attempt to kill it and other actions, not on this -- only on this amendment, but other amendments that other Members -- that Members have filed. And what I'm saying to you, Mr. President and Members on the other side of the aisle, if a -- an amendment is in a substantive committee, and as the Minority Leader on this side of the aisle, for you to arbitrarily pull my amendment out of the Education Committee and bring that amendment back to the Rules Committee in an attempt to kill it, I don't think that's fair. You have a majority on your side of the aisle. If the amendment is in

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committee, you have a majority of your Members in that committee and for you to arbitrarily pull that amendment out and bring it back to the Rules Committee, rather than have that amendment heard in the Education Committee where it should be held -- heard. Now, one of the things is this: We're going to caucus on this issue and other issues, and there are many important issues that we -- we must address in this Chamber, but this constant practice of trying to trample on the rights of the minority is not going to continue if you want our cooperation. There is no reason whatsoever for you, the Rules Committee, to pull that amendment out of the Education Committee. It should be heard. You've got a majority of your Members appointed to that committee. If they want to vote it down, let them vote it down, but the amendment should be heard. This is a substantive year. The Rules Committee should not be used to kill subject matters that you personally may have a dislike for or you are trying to protect someone's other interests. Let the amendment go up or down on its merits, but this continual practice -- the practice that used against Senator Obama's bill and other practices shall not continue if you want to have cooperation on this side of the aisle on other matters that you may be pushing. We look at the Calendar and the Calendar's just loaded with bills from your side of the aisle and -- and ideas and good pieces of legislation from this side of the aisle are either bottled up in subcommittees or they are not even voted

on in the various substantive committees of this Body. So what I'm saying to you, Mr. President - and not you personally, Mr. President - but to the Members on that side of the aisle, this practice is going to stop. We're going to deal with this in caucus if we have to stop voting on all bills altogether, and if you've got thirty-three votes or thirty-two votes you can pass them. But that's the wrong way to run a Body when you have the majority. When you trample on the rights of the minority, one day

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it's going to come back to haunt you and it'll probably come back to haunt you this particular Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Burzynski, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. For the purpose of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Proceed.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. At 2 o'clock p.m. this afternoon the Licensed Activities Committee will be meeting in Room A-1 to consider Floor amendments. That's 2 o'clock, A-1, Licensed Activities.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Lauzen, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. For announcement. Commerce and Industry Committee will meet at 2 p.m. in Room 212 to consider amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Thank you. Senator Wendell Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Yes. For a committee announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Proceed.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Financial Institutions Committee will meet in Room 400 at 2 p.m.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Very good. Thank you. Senator Dillard, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President. For purposes of an announcement.

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The Senate -- or, Local Government Committee -- Local Government will meet at 2:30 in Room A-1. 2:30, A-1, Local Government Committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Robert Madigan.

SENATOR R. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Purpose of an announcement that the Insurance and Pensions Committee will meet at 2:30 in Room 212 to consider Floor amendments. 2:30, 212.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Two announcements. The first is that the Senate Appropriations Committee will meet at 3:30 in Room 212 to consider amendments. And the second announcement is, at 7:30 tomorrow morning in Room 400 we're going to have an informal coffee, doughnuts and budget walk-through for people who are curious and want more information about the -- the amendments that we did last Friday in the Appropriations Committee that we're going to probably be acting on on Thursday. It's open to all Senators. 7:30 till about 8:30. It'll be a briefing on the amendments and all Members are welcome who have time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Hawkinson, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Purposes of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Proceed.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

The Senate Judiciary Committee will meet at 3:30 - that's 3:30
- in Room 400 to consider amendments.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Tom Walsh, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR T. WALSH:

For the purposes of announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Proceed.

SENATOR T. WALSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. The State Government Operations
Committee will meet at 4:30 on the Senate Floor. 4:30 on the
Senate Floor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Fawell, for what purpose do you rise, ma'am?

SENATOR FAWELL:

For the purpose of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Proceed.

SENATOR FAWELL:

The Transportation Committee will meet at 5:30 in Room A-1.
5:30.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Yes. For the purposes of a committee announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Go ahead, proceed.

SENATOR KLEMM:

The Senate Executive Committee will meet at 4:30 in Room 212.

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Syverson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Those who want to get out early, Public Health will meet at

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2:30. At 2:30. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Tooth-hurty. That's what time it is when it's time to see the

dentist. Tooth-hurty. The Senate Education Committee will meet at 5:30. 5:30 for the Senate Education Committee in Room 212.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. For purposes of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Proceed.

SENATOR PETERSON:

The Revenue Committee will meet at 4:30 in Room 400. 4:30 in Room 400.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Donahue, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you. For the purposes of an announcement. Energy and Environment will meet in Room 400 at 5:30. Energy and Environment, 5:30, Room 400.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

For those of you who may not have gotten the schedule of the committee hearings completely, they will be posted outside the front door of the Senate Chambers. Certainly those Senators or other interested individuals may want to stop by and take a look. Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

For purposes of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Please state your announcement.

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SENATOR DEMUZIO:

I want to announce that the most important Democratic amendments are still stuck in the Rules Committee. They won't even be referred to committee for even an opportunity for a hearing and that's wrong and that's not fair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Any other announcements? We will proceed. We're still on page 19. We have Senate Bill 1129. Senator Klemm. Please read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1129.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1129 expands the ignition interlock program by allowing judges to impose the ignition interlock as a condition of a judicial driving permit. Back in 1993, we had a pilot program that we voted on, allowing the Secretary of State to determine the effectiveness of this

device. And then, in 1998, we enacted a Senate bill to make this pilot program permanent. Kind of interesting, because the pilot program was so successful that time that we experienced seventy-six percent less DUIs for offenders with the device than without the device. And it's kind of interesting, 'cause in 1997, we had over forty-seven thousand DUI arrests in Illinois. We think the need to give this tool to the judges is very clear. The average DUI offender blows one -- blows .17, and twenty-nine percent blows .2 or higher. Actually, nine percent even goes higher than that, a .25. First offenders with the -- such high BAC content are eligible for supervision right now, allowing them

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to drive without any restrictions. This would at least allow the judges to have an additional tool to be used for that. At the request of Senator Molaro, I did take out the Secretary of State, who was also included, and that's removed and it's only allowed for the judges. I think it's supported by MADD, Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists, the Illinois Association of Police Chiefs. And I've got witness slips of thirty-nine other witnesses who have been victims, who have had offenders, and parents and spouses of people that have been killed, all supporting Senate Bill 1129. I

hope you'll join me in that support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Molaro.

SENATOR MOLARO:

Yes. If I may, let me start out by saying, since we have this few minutes here, I've told the sponsor I'm not going to directly ask anybody to vote No on this bill, because this is -- this is a simple bill. For those of you who don't know this interlocking device, right now, at the Secretary of State, you have to have at least two convictions and when the Secretary of State gives your license back, if you ever get it back in this State after two convictions, you have to do the interlocking device. Now what this bill does, says that if you're a first-time offender and the judge gives you supervision, he may ask you -- he has permission now to put this device on the car only after supervision. Now, let me tell you why I'm opposed to this bill - because it may be a good idea if someone gets supervision to put this device on the car. But let me tell you why I don't like this and a few other things we've done in this Body over the last couple of days. We're in committee and that's committee where you're supposed to have testimony. So I figure this is beautiful, let me hear what the Secretary of State's going to say about this big, giant-sized change in the law that talks about supervision versus the third

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conviction. No testimony by the Secretary of State. Let's see what State's attorneys say about this. No testimony by State's attorneys. Let's see what judges say about this. No testimony from judges. No testimony from the police. No testimony from MADD. The only person that testified in committee was the lawyer from the group that manufactures these devices. That's all. No studies. No talks. No talking about whether it's a good idea or not. Just that person, that manufacturer. Now, I don't know why we're bringing this bill. Maybe it's a good election bill. This reminds me of bills that even our side of the aisle -- and I'll state their name, two of our Senators: Munoz, DeLeo. There was one by Dillard last -- by Senator Dillard that talked about that a judge in juvenile cases can go out and -- and tell someone to go to a different school district. So I asked, what did the State's attorney say? "They weren't there." "Didn't talk to anybody." What did the judges... "Didn't talk to anybody." What did the juvenile probation... "Didn't talk to anybody." Well, why did you bring this? "Because a judge in DuPage County thought it might be a good idea." We hear no testimony. And we're expected to change the law of the land when nobody was notified and we didn't hear it? This isn't the House of Representatives where they're looking for constituency bills or because some political staffer says this might be a good bill to pass so you could go to seniors' clubs. We're the Illinois State Senate. We're supposed to stand for something. We're supposed to hear testimony. We're supposed to get to the bottom of these bills and figure out

whether it's a good idea or not. We're supposed to be the stopgap. We're supposed to be the House of Lords, where nothing gets by us until there's full hearings and we listen to everything. The President said he wanted to bring sunshine to the Body. This isn't sunshine when we pass these bills. And the problem is, when we don't hear from everybody and it comes to the

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Floor, how can I vote No on Senator Klemm's bill? I don't want to be soft on crime. Nobody on this Body does. So we're all first -- we're forced to vote Yes on Senator Munoz's bills that says that if you're a -- go and -- and you solicit for prostitution, it's a felony. Or Senator DeLeo's bill, where if you wind up -- petty theft in a church, it's a felony. Well, they might be good ideas, but nobody testified in committee. We didn't let the State's attorneys and Department of Corrections. When I first came here seven years ago or so, they always testified on criminal bills. Thank God we got Senator Hawkinson looking into rewrite this whole thing. It's going to get worse and worse. It's more and more. Senator -- Senator Cronin today put a bill in the law today in Illinois that if you're sixteen years old, you commit a crime, when you go there and you're twenty-seven, Mr. President,

you can't bring that up, you can't bring that juvenile record. Now we have it where if it's murder or some big felony, you could bring it...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Molaro, let's talk about Senate Bill 1129.

SENATOR MOLARO:

All right. So -- I'll bring it to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Thank you.

SENATOR MOLARO:

So, now, of course, you know what we're going to get now? Now it should be Class 1 felonies, Class 3, to where we're going to bring the whole juvenile record up, and nobody testified in committee. On this particular bill, it may be a good idea that we put these interlocking devices on supervision. That's up to everybody else. That's why we have fifty-nine Members. I might think it's a bad idea. You might think it's a good idea. Senator Klemm does, and it might be. But the problem is: We heard no

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testimony. Is it a good idea? Where are our experts? Should we make this the law of the land because the only person who

testified was the lawyer for the manufacturers of the device, he wants it? Where are the State's attorneys? Why didn't they... Where's the Secretary of State? We hear nothing and now it's before us and we have one problem: If you vote No, then the Mothers Against Drunk Driving are going to -- are going to be screaming. We have to take a look at these things. So I, for one, would ask for a Present vote. But as I told the sponsor, I'm not screaming against this particular thing, but the process of passing these bills, I think we're doing a disservice to the Illinois Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

You could have fooled me. Senator Trotter, further discussion?

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. The facts are in. Since 1994, we have had a pilot program. The facts say that this bill does save lives. Facts say that if we pass this kind of legislation and make it permanent, then seventy-six percent of those who have been stopped for DUIs will not be doing that again. This type of legislation does work, and if we can save one life, one life of one child, one life of one innocent victim, I believe that we should pass more -- more laws just like this one. So please vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question to the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

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Senator Klemm, would you just clarify exactly what we're doing? It talks -- the analysis is not clear. It talks about a pilot program in the past. Does this make it permanent?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

No. The program was already permanent. We had a study in 1993 that we passed and the Secretary of State supported that study. They -- they had witnesses. They testified in favor of the study. Senator Molaro was not present at that time. We did the study and we came back with the results. We then said after those three-year -- two-year, three-year studies, that in 1998 we did make then the program permanent. Again we had full witnesses. The Secretary of State did support it. They didn't, I don't think, needed to come and testify again on such a successful program.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Does this just make it no longer optional?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

No, it's still permissive. A judge doesn't have to enact it. If he feels that under certain circumstances that person, in order to have a driving permit so that they can go out and drive legally and get to and from work, could ask that this be imposed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

I'm not certain what we're doing, because it was permissive before.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

It was permissive if you had two DUIs. This makes it permissive after the first one.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Fawell.

SENATOR FAWELL:

We -- thank you very much, Mr. President. We did have a hearing on this bill. There was fairly extensive testimony on it. Then when we asked Senator Klemm to come back with an amendment that took the Secretary of State out, at the request of the Secretary of State, he did that. It is a discretionary type of bill now that allows the judges to do this if they so desire. It's a choice that the legal system has if they feel that it's warranted. I think it's a good bill and I think we all ought to be on board.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

I had a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

The analysis we have says that the -- the data that is stored by this device is transferred to the Secretary of State's Office. Is that still in the bill?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

No, the bill doesn't address the mechanics of the device.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

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Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

A second question I had: Studies showed that seventy percent fewer individuals were convicted of a DUI, as opposed to those offenders who didn't have the device. How were -- how were the -- was the test group selected? Was it a certain county or a couple of counties chosen, or certain judges were -- were picked, or how -- how was the -- how were the figures determined?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

...back -- back in 1994, when the test was done? The Secretary of State, I think, if I recall, took five or six different areas of the State and conducted a pilot program, to try to be representative of the different areas. I don't really know which ones they were.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any other discussion? Any other discussion? If not, Senator Klemm, to close.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Thank you, Mr. President. You know, this is a program that has worked. This is a program that has, I think, demonstrated that we've been able to keep some DUI offenders off the road from

drinking and driving again. You know, I have witness slips of twenty-nine different people that sent these in. I've got 'em who are victims of the crimes that have been committed by drunk drivers, spouses who have lost their children and everyone else, saying, "This does work," "Please help us," "Please give the tools." For those of you who don't believe a judge can evaluate when a person can do it or not, then, I guess you do have some problems with the whole judicial system. I put some trust in the judges. I don't defend offenders. I don't know what the problems

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are. I do know what the problems are in my community of the havoc that a drunk driver does and causes to a family or to anybody else. I think this is another tool in the arsenal for the law enforcement and the judicial. I think you should all support it, and I do ask for that support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1129 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 voting Yes, 1 voting No, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 1129, having received

the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1141. Senator Rauschenberger. Please read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1141.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1141 is kind of a merely bill. It merely says that a municipality may not acquire, construct, own or operate a cable television system unless they first submitted to their electors a referendum approving that action. In a time when there's a lot of change in the utility business and a lot of actions going on in deregulation and a significant merging of both telecommunications, Internet and cable systems, that it's not the right time for us to become involved, if we can avoid it, in municipal operating systems that are designed to operate like a utility, rather than a business. So I'd appreciate a favorable roll call. This is only

to make sure municipalities carefully review their decision. It does not prevent them from doing anything.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I think we all recognize that today is the -- the -- Cable TV Day and we're certainly getting lobbied to support his bill today, but I shared with the sponsor that I've received letters from mayors in my districts, specially in Rock Falls and Geneseo, that opposing this legislation. And they indicate that the legislation is nothing more than an attempt by the cable industry to place unfair roadblocks in the way of -- of municipalities attempting to provide efficient economical service to its citizens. So I just bring this to the attention of the Members, that you may want to consult with your mayors and your municipalities on their position. I've indicated to the sponsor that I'm hearing some opposition to it. I don't fully understand the issue, but he may want to respond to the position of municipalities. And I intend to vote Present on the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Sponsor indicates he'll yield, Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Are there currently any municipalities that -- that own their

own cable companies?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

To the best of my knowledge, there are no municipalities in

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the State of Illinois who currently own a cable TV system. As I understand it, there are a couple of municipalities in the Quad Cities area who are considering either acquiring or establishing cable systems.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Well, so this is prospective then under -- under your guise, as you put it there. And thank you for the tip. I'm not aware of any in the Quad Cities that may be doing it, but that doesn't mean anything.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Further discussion? If not, Senator Rauschenberger, to close.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

I appreciate the comments by both of the questioners, and I

would just remind people again that this originally was discussed as a prohibition, but it's not a prohibition now. It merely says if a municipality wants to get into a business that -- that -- and run it like a utility, before they spend their -- their taxpayers' general funds, that they ought to submit the question to referendum. It makes them carefully consider the process. The complications we ran into in both electric deregulation and now in telecommunications involving municipally-owned utilities are significant, as well as those involving coops. We're best off not creating a new form. I'd appreciate a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

The question is, shall Senate Bill 1141 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 {sic} (47) voting Yes, 6 voting No, 5 voting Present. Senate Bill 1141, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed.

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Senator Myers, for what purpose do you rise, ma'am?

SENATOR MYERS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

State your point.

SENATOR MYERS:

In the President's Gallery are some students from Eastern Illinois University, who are here today for the -- to visit the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Very good. We'd like to have our friends from Eastern Illinois University please stand and welcome -- welcome all of you to the Senate. Senator Shaw, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR SHAW:

Thank you, Mr. President. Inadvertently, I pushed Yes on that last bill, and I was intending to vote No. Would you permit the record to show that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Certainly will. Senator Sullivan, on 1144. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1144.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Sullivan.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Bill 1144 is a property tax exemption intended for the Institute of Gas Technology, which is a world class institute in my district in Des Plaines. All the local taxing bodies are okay with this bill, and I ask for an Aye vote.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1144 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 {sic} (50) voting Yes, no - 8 voting No, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1144, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1146. Senator Maitland? Senator John Maitland on the Floor? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1151. Senator Fawell? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1158. Senator Rauschenberger? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1163. Senator Philip. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1171. Senator Berman? Please read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1171.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1171, as amended, permits a municipality that has stepped in to address demolition, board-ups, repairs or cleanup of buildings to have a lien that will take precedence over any previous liens if the notice of lien for their efforts is filed within a hundred and eighty days after incurring costs. Be glad to respond to any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1171 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted

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who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 59 voting Yes, no voting No, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1171, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1172. Senator Philip? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1184. Senator Demuzio wishes to seek recognition to return Senate Bill 1184 to the purpose of an amendment to 2nd Reading. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate

Bill 1184. Madam Secretary, please read the bill. Have there been any amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Demuzio.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1184 simply makes it permissive, rather than mandatory, with respect to the additional members of the Housing Authority, and I would move its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1205. Senator Weaver? Out of the record. Senate Bill 1206. Senator Weaver. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1207. Senator Cronin? Senator Cronin, on 1207? Please read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

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Senate Bill 1207.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill amends the Department of Veterans Affairs Act and the State Finance Act. It allows admission of honorably discharged disabled veterans to the Great Lakes Veteran's Home if they require nursing home care. It creates a fund for receipt of money from Medicare, patient maintenance charges, and the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs for care of patients in the home. This hospital and this facility is named after Joseph Kelly, who was a World War II hero. He had two medals of honor during World War II, which is rather unique and special. And this facility is located in west suburban Maywood at the Hines Hospital facility. Senator Walsh represents that area. Senator Lightford represents the area and so do I, in the neighboring communities right around that. I ask for your favorable consideration on this -- on this good bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WATSON)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1207 pass. All those in favor,

vote Aye. Opposed, vote No. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 58 voting Yes, no voting No, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1207, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. We have concluded 3rd Reading. And, as you know, there's been announcements for various committees, so, I would suggest that you seek advise of the posted calendar out front as to when your

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committee may be meeting. And it's the intention of the Chair to recess till approximately 6:30 when, hopefully, all committee meetings will have been completed, and we do anticipate possible final action on the Floor this evening. So I would suggest everyone being here at 6:30.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

...the information of the Membership, we will be going shortly to the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading. It will most likely be

the final time we will be going to this Order of Business. So will the Members who are within earshot please come to the Senate Floor? Prepare to move your bills off 2nd Reading, because there is no guarantee we will ever go back to that Order of Business. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bills 1176, 1881, 1232, 1302, 1874, 2045, 2246, 2359, 2379, 2647 and 2787.

All passed the House, March 24th, 1999.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Philip, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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State your point.

SENATOR PHILIP:

If -- if somebody would pay some attention. We're going -- we're -- we're going to do 2nd Readings and do the Supplemental tonight. As you know, if we get lucky, we could conceivably get out of here sometime tomorrow. I wouldn't guarantee it, but if you -- if you want to get your -- your bill, then pass your bills this spring, I would suggest that you get everything in position for 3rd Reading tomorrow.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Lauzen, Chair of the Committee on Commerce and Industry, reports Senate Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 79 Be Approved for Consideration; Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 272, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 812 and Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1039, all Be Approved for Consideration.

Senator Burzynski, Chair of the Committee on Licensed Activities, reports Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 367, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 368, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 445, and Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 457, all Be Adopted.

Senator O'Malley, Chair of the Committee on Financial Institutions, reports Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 890 Be Adopted.

Senator Syverson, Chair of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare, reports Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 353 Be Adopted.

Senator Dillard, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, reports Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 6, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 6, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 171, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 206, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 844, and Amendment 2 to Senate Bill

880, all Be Adopted.

Senator Tom Walsh, Chair of the Committee on State Government Operations, reports Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 113, Amendment 1 to

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Senate Bill 1148, and Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1158 Be Adopted.

Senator Madigan, Chair of the Committee on Insurance and Pensions, reports Senate -- Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 418, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 721, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 778, and Amendment 1 Senate Bill 824 Be Adopted.

Senator Hawkinson, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 26, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 188, Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 223, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 230, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 480, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 509, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 574, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 728, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 729, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 734, Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 756, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 759, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 839, Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 867, and Amendments 2 and 3 to Senate Bill 897, all Be Adopted, along with Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1112.

Senator Peterson, Chair of the Committee on Revenue, reports Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 11, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 35,

Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 40, all Be Approved for Consideration; Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 468 Tabled by the Sponsor; Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 468, and Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 666 Be Approved for Consideration.

Senator Klemm, Chair of the Committee on Executive, reports Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 32, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 336, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 349, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 968, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1172, and Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1183 Be Adopted.

Senator Mahar, Chair of the Committee on Environment and Energy, reports Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 149, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 423 and Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1046 Be Adopted.

Senator Fawell, Chair of the Committee on Transportation, reports Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 29, Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 578, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 989, Amendment 3 to Senate Bill

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1042, and Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1151, all Be Approved for Consideration.

And Senator Cronin, Chair of the Committee on Education, reports Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 527, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 529, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 648, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill

823, Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1054, and Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1075, all Be Adopted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Maitland, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Mr. President and the Members of the Body. If I could have the attention of the Body. We have caused to be circulated Supplemental Calendar No. 1. That reflects the bills that we today, earlier, moved from 2nd Reading to 3rd Reading. And this is for convenience sake only. These bills represent pieces of legislation that either have already had amendments filed to them, or are likely to have amendments filed to them. There will be no final passage on them tonight. This is just for your convenience so you don't have to go back and forth in your regular Calendar. This just is an update of where the Calendar is.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Thank you, Senator Maitland. Senator Larry Walsh, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR L. WALSH:

Purpose -- a point -- point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

Mr. President and Members of the Senate, it is my distinct honor to have with us tonight my Township - Jackson Township - Assessor and Deputy Assessor Rich and Nora Facchina, who's down

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here in Springfield today. So like to welcome 'em to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Welcome to Springfield. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Weaver, Chair of the Committee on Rules, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Be Approved for Consideration - Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 175, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 574, Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1046, Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 1087 and Amendment 4 to Senate Bill 1042.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Will the Members turn your Calendars to the top of page 2, the Order of Senate Bills 2nd Reading? One more reminder to the Membership: This will probably be the last time we will be going to this Order of Business. So be prepared to move your bills. Senate Bill... Senate Bill -- 2nd Reading. Senate Bill 11. Senator Peterson. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 11.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted Amendments 1, 2 and 3.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Peterson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment 4 -- the bill, itself, deals with certified capital companies, and the amendment extends the sunset credit from 2010 to 2015, and also provides that thirty

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percent of any distributions made to the equity holders of the certified capital company, other than qualified distributions, in excess of the amount required to produce a fifteen percent annual rate of return would be deposited annually into the State Pension Fund. I ask for adoption of Amendment 4.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Peterson moves the adoption of Senate Floor Amendment No. 4 to Senate Bill 11. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the

amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 26. Senator Petka. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 26.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted Amendments 1 and 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Petka.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Petka.

SENATOR PETKA:

Thank you very much, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Senate Floor Amendment No. 3 becomes the bill. This is a bill which modifies existing eminent domain law. It came out of the Judiciary Committee with one negative vote and one Present, eight

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positive votes. The bill, basically, provides protection for those who are owners of residences and provides some changes in evidentiary matters dealing with eminent domain. I would urge its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Petka moves the adoption of Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 26. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 101. Senator Parker. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 101.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Out of the record. Senator Parker, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR PARKER:

I'd like to table 101, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Parker moves to table Senate Bill 101. Hearing no

objection, Senate Bill 101 is tabled. Senate Bill 204. Senator Rauschenberger. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 204.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 227. Senator O'Malley. Senate Bill 268. Senator Parker. Out of the record. Senate Bill 282. Senator Cronin. Out of the record. Senate Bill 336. Senator Maitland. Senator Maitland. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 336.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Maitland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

All right. Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is the amendment to Senate Bill 336 that addresses the concerns that Senator Watson and others had in the -- in the committee. It -- it goes -- the bill reflects the fact that the one-time increase goes to those who already hold licenses.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Maitland moves the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 336. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 338. Senator Peterson. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 338.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 349. Senator Geo-Karis. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 349.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Geo-Karis.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Amendment No. 2 makes the bill and creates the necessity for registration and other matters in it. And we have been working with all sides on this, and I have the cooperation of the various

people who weren't for it originally. And I would like to pass this amendment at this time. And we will continue working on this

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bill, even if it goes to the -- to the House. So I ask for a favorable...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Geo-Karis moves the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 349. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 423. Senator Maitland. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 423.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Environment and Energy adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Maitland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This Floor Amendment No. 2 represents an agreement between the utilities and the Illinois Municipal League with respect to tree trimming in Illinois. It -- it places all communities under the Act, and they have the option of opting out if they so choose. This was a negotiated settlement and I would move for the adoption.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Maitland moves the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 423. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 445. Senator Thomas Walsh. Mr. Secretary, read the -- read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 445.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Tom Walsh.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Walsh.

SENATOR T. WALSH:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. The amendment deletes language requiring mortgage lenders continuing their education. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Walsh moves the adoption of Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 445. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments?

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SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 509. Senator Dillard. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 509.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. There are no committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is really a technical amendment, working with Senator Hawkinson and staff, to remove a couple of concerns we had, especially with respect to single-subject provisions. It's technical in nature and I'd move its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Dillard moves the

adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 509. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 556. Senator Cronin. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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Senate Bill 556.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted Amendment No. 1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 641. Senator Radogno. Out of the record. Senate Bill 652. Senator Cronin. Mr. Secretary, read the

bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 652.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 677. Senator Radogno. Out of the record. Senate Bill 760. Senator Parker. Out of the record. Senate Bill 848. Senator Bowles. ...the record. Senate Bill 916. Senator Myers. Out of the record. Senate Bill 928. Senator Sullivan. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1011. Senate Bill -- Senator Petka. ...the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1011.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1042. Senator Lisa Madigan. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1075. Senator Cronin. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1075.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Cronin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This -- Senate Bill 1075, Senate Floor Amendment No. 2, is a -- is an amendment that we just debated in our Senate Education Committee at length. And it simply provides that -- that a tax credit is just that, a credit. A credit is defined as an action that you take against a liability. You can't have a tax credit unless you have a tax liability. The specific language in the amendment says that "In no event shall a credit under this subsection reduce the taxpayer's liability under this Act to less than zero." Simply put, and in response to some of the questions that were posed in committee, your tax liability is defined as your -- your liability regardless of whether or not there was money withheld. Withheld is simply a mechanism to collect the taxes. Your tax liability is defined as that amount of money that you owe, less any deductions or credits, and that is your tax liability. Period. And if you have no tax liability, you don't

get a credit. Whether -- no matter what your position may be on the underlying bill here, I would urge the Members of the Senate to look at this as simply a tax policy. We cannot give credit -- a credit or a windfall to people, individuals or organizations. Whether it be a -- a family that's sending their kids to a school

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or the Illinois manufacturers or retailers or farmers, they can't get a credit unless they have a liability. It's very basic. I ask for your favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

...of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

Senator Cronin, didn't you say that you were going to move the bill without this amendment? I thought that's what you said to me.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

I apologize. We -- I should've got back to you. I didn't think that we would do that until now. I think procedurally we have to. We're getting down to the end of the week. I wanted an opportunity to -- to give you an explanation, and I'm here to give it to you this evening, instead of tomorrow morning.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Berman.

SENATOR BERMAN:

Thank you. I think it's important for everyone to recognize what this amendment does. As I understand it -- and we spent about, I'll say, a half an hour - it may have been even longer - in the Education Committee just a few minutes ago in trying to get an explanation of what the language in this bill does. And let me tell you that we had a witness from the Department of Revenue. She was not able to give me an answer, and that was the only so-called expert witness that we had to address this. But I will

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tell you what my interpretation is and what bothers me about this amendment. This bill -- this amendment, as I read it, says, "In no event shall a credit under this subsection reduce the

taxpayer's liability under this Act to less than zero." It also says, "Any credit in excess of the tax liability for the taxable year shall be refunded to the taxpayer." My question in committee was this: I have two people, both of whom send their children -- both of whom send their children to parochial schools, and Senate Bill 1075 is the law of Illinois. Taxpayer No. 1 is employed and has a modest income of, let us say, twenty thousand dollars a year. The job that that taxpayer has withholds income tax from that taxpayer and that taxpayer has other deductible expenses, so that when it comes down to the amount of taxes owed by that taxpayer, under my hypothetical, it's only two hundred dollars that he owes the State of Illinois coming April 15th. As I read this amendment -- as I read this amendment, and I haven't been contradicted by even the Department of Revenue yet -- yet, all -- the only amount of tax credit under Senate Bill 1075 that this taxpayer would be entitled to would be two hundred dollars if that was the amount that was owed. Taxpayer No. 2 is a self-employed salesperson. Same amount of gross income, twenty thousand dollars. But because I don't -- he -- because that Taxpayer No. 2 hasn't had income taxes withheld, for April 15th I owe three percent of two hundred -- of twenty thousand dollars, which is six hundred dollars. I -- that taxpayer gets the full five-hundred-dollar credit and only sends a check into the State of Illinois for a hundred bucks. What does all that translate into? As I read this amendment, the littlest guy, the lowest-income people, the people that we allege to help by a tuition tax credit are not helped. This reduces the amount of benefit that the low-income wage earner has coming to them under Senate Bill 1075. And that's the language that's in this

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amendment. It hasn't been contradicted by even the Department of Revenue. If you want to take care of the people that need the most help from this bill, I would urge a No vote on Senate Bill 1075, Amendment No. 2. And Mr. Speaker -- Mr. President, I'm requesting a roll call. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, Senator Cronin, to close.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you, Mr. President -- President. I got to give credit to my colleague on the other side of the aisle. He's a master at creating an issue where there is none. It is very clear. It is very simple. Even the way he read the amendment. With all due respect, I don't -- it's very clear. It says Amendment No. 2 amends Senate Bill 1075 on page 19, lines 30 through -- by replacing, quote, "Any credit in excess of the tax liability for the taxable year shall be refunded to the taxpayer", end quote, with the following language, "In no event shall a credit under this subsection reduce the taxpayer's liability under this Act to less than zero." It's very clear. It couldn't be more clear. It's -- a credit can only be taken if you have a liability. And

if your liability is zero, you're not going to get a credit that's going to lower your liability to less than zero and the Revenue Department's not going to be mailing out checks to people. It's crazy to consider, or to think, that there is any uncertainty or lack of specificity. It couldn't be clearer. It's a perfect -- the tax policy and the Department of Revenue were right on target. Senator Berman, you're -- you're a nice guy and you're a smart guy, but you're dead wrong. Please, if you -- no matter how you feel on the underlying bill, this is a question of tax policy. Think about the manufacturers, the retailers, the farmers, all these other people out there that are the recipients of tax credits. We can't start giving people credit if they have no

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liability. That's just -- that's just crazy. So I ask for your favorable consideration of this most reasonable and prudent amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Cronin moves the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1075. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wished? Have all voted who wish? Take the record.

There are 33 Ayes, 22 Noes, none voting Present. And Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1075 is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1087. Senator Karpel. Senator Karpel.

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. I wasn't aware it was out of -- out of Rules, and out of committee.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Mr. -- Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1087.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted Amendments 1 and 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Karpel.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Senator Karpier.

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 1087 becomes the bill. Senate Bill 1087 creates the Illinois Open Land Trust Act to allow the Department of Natural Resources to develop and administer a program to acquire real property for conservation and recreation purposes. This is an initiative of Governor Ryan for open land -- to increase open land through DNR and local agencies. The original bill had some problems that were addressed by this amendment. The problems had to do with development rights. The Realtors and Home Builders had a problem with that. This amendment removes the development rights. It removes the ability for non-for-profits to receive grants and loans. And it clarifies that no land may be obtained through eminent domain. It also added a definition for "natural area" and changed the definition of "conservation easements" for the -- the Farm Bureau. At the present time, the Home Builders Association, Realtors and Farm Bureau are neutral. The proponents are Department of Natural Resources, Nature Conservancy, Illinois Environmental Council, Open Lands Project of Chicago. And you should all be very happy that I didn't bring my file to the Floor, 'cause I didn't know it was calling -- going to be called, 'cause I could go on and on and on for the proponents of this bill. And I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, Senator Karpel moves the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill 1087. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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3rd Reading. ...now go to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading for the purpose of recall. Turn your regular Calendars to the middle of page 7 to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading. Senate Bill 6. Senator O'Malley. Senator O'Malley, do you wish this bill returned to 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment? Senator O'Malley seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 6 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 6. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator O'Malley.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Mr. President, Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 6 is a revision to the original bill, the intent of which is to make sure that should -- should a municipality charge a -- an alternative utility tax in the future, that they would return to the rate and level of taxation that it is now and not more. Be happy to answer any questions there may be.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the -- Senator Larry Walsh.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

Would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Walsh.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

Senator, in -- in committee -- in committee today -- in committee today on -- on the amendment that you did present, the City of Chicago, they are still objecting to the amendment that

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you're proposing?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

That's correct, Senator Walsh.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Walsh.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

And also, the -- did you happen to check on the discussion that we had with the South Suburban Mayors and Managers, any clarification on that?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Senator Walsh, as you may recall, Senator Mahar, who was the sponsor of that legislation and participated very vigorously in the -- the debate on electric dereg last year, and I personally spoke with him and he confirmed my recollection of the debate on the Floor. And he is also trying to get ahold of whoever is at the South Suburban Mayors and Managers it would need to be discussed with to clarify my understanding from the senior mayor. I -- there are three towns that I represent in the South Suburban Mayors and Managers. All the rest are in the Southwest Conference. The Southwest Conference has offered its support for this legislation. The South Suburban Mayors and Managers apparently were represented by somebody in committee who expressed a question about whether -- as I understood it - expressed a question about whether or not this issue could be opened up for a period of time, and I believe it was three years. That's totally

contrary to my recollection of the debate on the Floor, number one. Number two, Senator Mahar has confirmed it. I believe there are other Senators here in the Chamber tonight who could confirm

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it as well. And I know that -- both myself and Senator Mahar are attempting to reach the people at the South Suburban Mayors and Managers to get a clarified position from them. The one mayor, the senior mayor that I represent, the largest town in my area that is actually in that conference told me he had no objection to it and it's his understanding that the South Suburban Mayors and Managers did not as well.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Walsh.

SENATOR L. WALSH:

I would like to request a roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

That request is in order. Further discussion? Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Just by way of verification, I spent many hours working

on the electric deregulation bill under the leadership of Senator Mahar, along with Phil Novak from the House, and -- and Senator Jacobs worked a little bit with us and, as well, Senator Farley. And I was clearly under the impression and understanding that there was no agreement on municipal taxes. That it was an issue that as we went forward would be worked out. There was no agreement, to my knowledge, if anyone's represented one, that there was a three-year agreement not to do anything. So I just wanted to make sure people did understand that that was my understanding of the arrangement. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

I think -- Senator O'Malley, I think the question was asked of you by Senator Walsh. Is the South Suburban Mayors and Managers on board with this legislation? I think that was the precise

question that was asked.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Senator Shaw, I understood the question, and the answer to the question is unclear at this point in time, and I thought in my response I made that clear and that we were attempting to -- to get a clarification on it. However, whether they have that position for it or not would not dissuade me from my position nor would it dissuade the Mayor of Midlothian, who is a member of that -- of that council, who supports this initiative, as does Senator {sic} (Mayor) Peloquin, from the City of Blue Island, which you and I both represent and which initiated this -- this request.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

Thank you. But as -- as you well know, or you might not know, that I am a member of the South Suburban Mayors and Managers, and isn't it a fact that the representative, the lobbyist, from the South Suburban Mayors and Managers testified in committee that the South Suburban Mayors and Managers are taking a position against the amendment?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Senator Shaw, what that representative testified to was that he had placed a slip in on behalf of, I believe it's called, the

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West Suburban Conference and the South Suburban Mayors and Managers in opposition to them -- to -- to the legislation. In particular, I wanted an explanation for why the South Suburban Mayors and Managers were included. He gave his explanation. His understanding -- or, my understanding of his explanation was that Beth Rule, who is the executive director of the South Suburban Mayors and Managers, understood that there was some sort of an agreement that this issue would not be dealt for some period of time, some period of time that's unclear to me. That's completely inconsistent with what has been represented to me by the people -- the principals in the debate and, in addition, my own recollection of the debate when we had electric dereg in the previous Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Shaw.

SENATOR SHAW:

I think that -- certainly I know you -- you have good intentions, but the fact is I think it was so much confusion going on maybe in committee that you misconstrued it, what I said, because I was the one that raised the question about the three years, not the lobbyist for the South Suburban Mayors and

Managers. He was very emphatic in his position, in terms that the Mayors and Managers was opposed to this amendment. And certainly, at this time, with the Mayors and Managers being opposed to this amendment and certainly it's your prerogative to put forth the amendment and, as you say, you and I represent the -- Blue Island, but I also represent a lot of other towns that are in the Mayors and Managers. I have more than three in that -- in that Mayors and Managers Association. And when the lobbyist come and speak and said that they -- that group is opposed to the amendment, I have to take the lobbyist at its word. I know that the City of Chicago was there, and they said that they were opposed to both

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amendments. And I believe that in good faith, until this is worked out - it seems as though to get some clarity on where everybody is on this amendment, why don't we take it out of the record and deal with it at another time, when we talk to Beth Rule, and see if we could come to some agreement on this amendment?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Yes. Senator Shaw, I do not intend to take it out of the

record. But to address your -- your concerns, whether there's any confusion concerning the South Suburban mayors or managers doesn't change, as you indicated and acknowledged, my prerogative to proceed. I never sought the South Suburban Mayors and Managers position on this particular issue until Senator Walsh brought it to my attention in a casual conversation we had away from the committee that he had heard that they had an objection. That's why I sought out Mayor Murawski from Midlothian to get the matter clarified. He called me back, as I said in committee, on St. Patrick's Day, for two reasons: one, to wish me a happy St. Patrick's Day, and the second was to clarify his understanding of the South Suburban Mayors and Managers position.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? Senator Jacobs.

SENATOR JACOBS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. I guess I'm getting a little confused 'cause I thought we were talking about the amendment, and I think we're -- we're debating the bill, which my city happens to be for. But as I read the amendment, it's really a clarifying amendment which says we're not going to have double taxation and it -- it also clarifies that the municipal utility tax rate cannot be used to pit one community against another in a bidding war. I think the amendment makes

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sense, and it makes what I consider to be a fair bill even fairer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Well, thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Just to, I guess, clarify. There was, I think -- in the whole issue of the negotiations of -- of the -- of the Act, there were some three or four issues that were left unresolved and one of them, and I -- and being the, I guess, one of the final negotiators at Orland Park, was the issue of -- was this issue. And to the best of my recollection, and I think others -- Senator Rauschenberger and others have indicated, there was no, I mean, three-year agreement. It just was not there, and I guess that's for clarity more than anything else.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, Senator O'Malley, to close.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

I -- a -- as -- as Senator Jacobs said, we've somehow debated a lot of the bill and maybe this will shorten things tomorrow should we get this amendment on this evening. But I would appreciate your support, and I think this is important for Illinois because this will keep jobs in Illinois. I'd read the letter from the Mayor of the City of Blue Island, which is an impassioned plea that I think speaks well to what we're trying to do here. And I remind everybody, too, that what we were supposed to do as a minimum, under the electric deregulation bill, was to

be revenue-neutral and that's precisely what this amendment does.
I'd appreciate your support. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

A roll call has been requested. All those in favor will vote
Aye. Opposed will vote Nay. And the voting is open. Have all
voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish?

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Take the record. There are 34 Ayes, 23 Nays, none voting Present.
And the amendment is adopted. Are there any further Floor
amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 32. Senator O'Malley, do you wish
this bill returned to 2nd Reading for the purposes of an
amendment. Senator O'Malley seeks leave of the Body to return
Senate Bill 32 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an
amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order
of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 32. Mr. Secretary, are there any
Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator O'Malley.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, hopefully, this Floor amendment will be a little easier to deal with. All that Senate Amendment 1 does is delete the original bill and clarifies adding in the language that was my intent, which was to exempt park districts from the two-hundred-dollar provider's license fee for conducting bingo. They would still be required to obtain the provider's license from the Department of Revenue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 35. Senator O'Malley, do you wish

this bill returned to 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment?
Senator O'Malley seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 35
to the Order of 3rd -- 2nd Reading for the purpose of an
amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order
of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 35. Mr. Secretary, any Floor
amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator O'Malley.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Mr. President, thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate,
Senate Amendment -- or, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 35
represents compromise language that has been worked out with the
Cook County Assessor's Office. There are three major elements to
the underlying legislation. One was still being negotiated.
That's what's the subject matter of this particular amendment. It
allows the Cook County Assessor to administratively certify
certificates of error issued on residential property six units or
less, and exempt properties, and other types of property with
assessed value reductions of less than one hundred thousand
dollars in assessed valuations. I -- I would encourage everybody
to support this. This is Cook County assessment reform
legislation. It's very pro-taxpayer in the sense that it will
shorten the period of clearing up certificates of error from what
has been as long as five years, and is very taxpayer-friendly.
Appreciate your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye.
Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted.

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Any further Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 40. Senator Watson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 40 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 40. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Watson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President. This is the economic development package that the Governor has put together. The amendment tightens up some of the language dealing with what they call a "call-back provision". And this is allowing the State to

recover dollars that have been given in -- in tax credits to those companies that break their contract. There's also some numeric -- or, some grammatical changes requested by Enrolling and Engrossing. I'd ask for your adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 79. Senator del Valle. Senator del Valle, do you wish this bill returned to 2nd Reading for the purposes of an amendment? Senator del Valle seeks leave of the

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Body to return Senate Bill 79 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 79. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator del Valle.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator del Valle.

SENATOR DEL VALLE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amendment narrows the definition of "day labor" so that it excludes services provided by temporary agencies. It was an amendment worked out with the different parties. In addition, the amendment would require the Department of Labor to recommend that day labor service agencies employ personnel who are able to communicate in the different languages.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 113. Senator -- Senator Dillard seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 113 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 113. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill makes some changes that were suggested by the committee. It went through State Government originally. And essentially it says that administrative law judges do not have to be licensed attorneys and makes a couple other small changes, including that conversations with an administrative law judge about scheduling are not ex parte communications. So that's what it does, and I'd move it adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 149. Senator Watson. Senator Watson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 149 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 149. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Watson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amendment and legislation deals with the enhanced 9-1-1 mandate problem that we have in this State. Current law requires businesses with a PBX or a Centrex telephone system to upgrade their systems to provide additional

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location information when a 9-1-1 call is placed from within the business. Maybe you will recall, but last fall Senate Bill 930 passed, which delayed the compliance with this -- for this legislation from June 30th, 1999, to June 30th, the year 2000. The Governor just yesterday signed that bill. Now we come with Senate Bill 149 to, hopefully, create some revisions that will make it at least more acceptable to -- to those who have to comply. The business community, the Illinois Commerce Commission, the 9-1-1 coordinators, retailers sat down and came up with some language. I could go through that, but I don't believe there's any opposition, and I'll be glad to discuss this on 3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 171. Senator Klemm seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 171 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 171. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a bill that's been agreed to by the Chiefs of Police and the Fraternal Order of Police in allowing municipalities to have a choice of deputy chiefs.

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They're going to continue the negotiation. Looks like we're reaching some -- oh, compromise as we go along. And everybody agrees to this and we'd like to continue.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Senate Amendment No. 2 does exactly what I said in the first one. It's a duplication. I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 175. Senator Klemm seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 175 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 175. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

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Yes, could I have leave of the Body to table Amendment No. 2?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Hearing no objection, table No. 2 is tabled -- Amendment No. 2 is tabled. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Amendment No. -- thank you, Madam -- Mr. President. Amendment No. 3 puts the language that was intended when we first started this about a week ago. We've had some problems in the amendment of the lines. It tends to be technical, and what it does is actually replace the original language to be 1.05, which the committee agreed to in the first place. And I apologize to the

Body for having these problems, but we are moving it along. I think this makes it to what everybody agreed to, and I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, I'd like to rise in support of this amendment. I mean, I've been here for a long time, and I've never seen a bill so screwed up in all my life. This is the third corrective amendment in two days? I hope they got it right this time.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, all those in -- if not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any -- any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 188. Senator Dillard seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 188 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is

granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 188. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This amendment comes before us at the suggestion of Senator Pat Welch, and I believe another Democrat or two on the other side of the aisle, and Senator Hawkinson, and the bill -- the underlying bill deals with this new thing, the Universal Price Code - those little code things we see that the grocery store attendant or retailer scans when we go to the grocery store. It was raised in debate, on Floor debate, whether or not the old-fashioned kind of receipts that actually are printed out should fall under this bill. And we just take the old-fashioned types of retail receipts out and leave the underlying bill only dealing with this new-fangled technology of the Universal Price Code. And that's what this amendment does.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Senator, did you take out everything but the Universal Price

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Code label, or did you just take out the part dealing with receipts?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President. It was Senator Cullerton, I guess, who was that other Democrat I referred to. Senator Cullerton, as I understand this amendment, it takes out everything but the UPC. So it just wipes out the old-fashioned, so to speak, type of retail price receipts. I think this does exactly what you wanted done, John.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 223. Senator Halvorson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 223 to the Order of 2nd Reading

for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 223. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Halvorson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Halvorson.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate No. -- Senate Amendment No. 3 deletes No. 1 and 2, but it retains the underlying bill. What it does is it deletes the

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requirement that the Department of Corrections notify the Secretary of State of the release of a prisoner. It retains the requirement that the Department of Corrections notify the circuit clerks of the circuit but only in cases in which the driver's license revocation is upon release from the Department of Corrections, was a part of the sentence that the offender received.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 353. Senator Sieben seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 353 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 353. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Sieben.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 2 adds some language here to limit those areas of the hospital district that would be eligible to petition for detachment so that they have to have been brought into the district by previous annexation and the territory to be detached must constitute less than twenty percent. And I would move for the adoption of Amendment No. 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 367. Senator Burzynski seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 367 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 367. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Burzynski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment No. 1 deals with a couple of issues of conflict in the original bill relative to vision screening by -- conducted by a charitable organization. This has removed all of the opposition that there was to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any

further amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 368. Senator Burzynski seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 368 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purposes of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 368. Mr.

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Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Burzynski.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Again, this is a compromise bill -- or amendment that has come to us to deal with the issue of mail-order ophthalmic providers' contact lenses.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any

further amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 457. Senator Syverson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 457 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 457. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Syverson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 1 just adds some language that was requested by the plumbers' union that tightens up the legislation. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Jones, Emil Jones.

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SENATOR E. JONES:

Yeah. Thank you, Mr. President. Would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Sponsor indicates he will yield. Senator Jones.

SENATOR E. JONES:

Could you -- could you tell us exactly what the amendment does?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Syverson.

SENATOR SYVERSON:

Yes, sir, the amendment adds to the existing bill language that says that in a new design of any irrigation system, that a licensed plumber has to sign off on that design.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Further discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 480. Senator O'Malley seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 480 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 480. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator O'Malley.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Mr. President and Member -- Ladies and Gentlemen of

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the Senate. Senate Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 480 deals with the underlying legislation concerning copying of records and the charges that may -- assessed in connection with them. It -- it represents a compromise proposed by one of the parties who was negotiating concerning this particular legislation and allows this process to move forward. Be happy to answer any questions there may be, and should you allow it on, we'll discuss it more tomorrow in greater detail.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 574. Senator Hawkinson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 574 to the Order of 2nd Reading

for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is House {sic} Bill 574. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senators Hawkinson and Petka.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amendment deals with the subject matter on the board, which is the procedure for capital cases. This is a work in progress. We've been working with the Bar Association, the Appellate Defender, Appellate Prosecutor, Cook County Public Defender, to try and come up with some procedures where we can provide more assets and services for both

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defenders and prosecutors in the trial and the appeals of capital cases. It's still going to require some more work, but -- but this is a first step. And nobody's completely satisfied yet, but we want to send it over to the House, and I would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Hawkinson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

This modifies Amendment No. 1 by removing one section on the permissive expenditure purposes section of the bill. I don't believe there's any controversy over this amendment and would ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 640. Senator Weaver seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 640 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 640. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

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Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Maitland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Maitland.

SENATOR MAITLAND:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Floor Amendment No. 4 {sic} increases the bond authorization by one hundred fifty-one million dollars GO for -- one hundred and fifty million for higher education and the one-percent set-aside, which is 1.5 million. I would move for the adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 646. Senator -- 648. Senator O'Malley seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 648 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 648. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments

approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator O'Malley.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Floor Amendment 2 contains two primary provisions and -- and two technical changes. The primary amendments to the underlying legislation have to do with the -- the process by which you could actually have a referendum to create a charter school,

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and the other one raises the number of -- the possible number of charter schools that could be established. I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 666. Senator Peterson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 666 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 666. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Peterson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment 1 removes telecommunications equipment from the provisions of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Peterson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment 2 is a grammatical change, changing "or" for "and". And I ask for your approval of Amendment 2.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any -- is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 728. Senator O'Malley seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 728 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 728. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator O'Malley.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 728 modifies the -- the underlying bill by becoming the bill. Incorporates all the original provisions and sets up some rules under which State Police photos may be included on the Internet, along with the

Statewide Sex Offender Database information that is intended to be placed on the Internet through this legislation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

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SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Cullerton, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Actually -- actually, I had the -- I had the light on. I was going to ask Senator O'Malley a question about the amendment that we just adopted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Well, I beg your pardon, Senator Cullerton. I didn't see your light.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

I know. What are we going to do about it?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senate Bill 756. Senator Cronin seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 756 to the -- to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 756. Mr. Secretary, are there -- are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Cronin.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This Amendment No. 3 simply revises the reporting procedures to address concerns raised by teachers. It requires all school officials to notify the principal in the event that they observe a person in possession of a firearm on school grounds. I ask for your favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Is there any discussion? Senator Cronin? Senator Cullerton.
No? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes

have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 778. Senator Peterson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 778 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 778. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Peterson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Insurance Code and the Business Corporation Act provides an organization of -- of corporation to be a member of Lloyd's of London. This amendment permits the organization of limited partnership and limited liability companies to become Lloyd's members. This is an agreed language with the Secretary of State's Office and Lloyd's of London, and I know of no opposition to the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 823. Senator O'Malley seeks leave

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of the Body to return Senate Bill 823 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 823. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator O'Malley.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Floor Amendment No. 1 defines "conscientiously held belief" as a deeply held moral sense of right and wrong used as a guide to making a decision or taking action.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If -- Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Thank you, Mr. President. I know you're on a roll here. I

just wondered if we were on the "Order of O'Malley" still.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 824. Senator Noland. Senator Noland seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 824 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 824. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Noland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill

824 creates the Choice of Physician Act. Requires employers with twenty-five or more employees to offer a point of service option to their enrollees. It would allow for a mechanism where employees could have an opportunity to receive a greater choice of physicians, and it would allow for them to be charged additional amounts for that option.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Further -- any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 844. Senator Trotter, do you wish this -- Senator Trotter seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 844 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 844. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Trotter.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Trotter.

SENATOR TROTTER:

Thank you very much, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill, as introduced, permitted municipalities -- this bill,

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as initially introduced, permitted municipalities to cause the removal of petroleum products from unsafe buildings and to permit a lien to be placed on the property for the cost of the cleanup if need be. What we have done specifically is we've changed just a -- a phrase in a sentence from "unsafe buildings" to "abandoned and unsafe property". And I ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senators Dillard and Weaver.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is really Senator Weaver's amendment and it's requested by the City of Urbana, but it was supported in committee by the City of Chicago, and it allows municipalities to include in their building code hearing departments ordinances to require the cutting of weeds, removal of garbage or debris, removal of inoperable motor vehicles or abatement of nuisances from private property. And I'd move its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 897. Senator Klemm seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 897 to the Order of 2nd Reading for

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the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 897. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 2 becomes the bill. It makes a single subject that we asked for. It allows the county

sheriff or the State's attorney or municipal police department and the clerk of the circuit court or the Department of Public Aid to post information on the Internet about some deadbeat parents and people who haven't paid their -- arrears over six months. And it's exactly what the committee had asked for, and I ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Klemm.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Amendment No. 3 made a correction. It was a error changing the word "individuals" from plural to, you know -- let's see from possessive to plural the word "individual".

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? It not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted.

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Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1039. Senator Rauschenberger seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1039 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1039. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This makes two corrections to the bill that were pointed out to me when it first went to committee hearing. It makes the life insurance benefit under this plan equal to the Workmen's Compensation Act, and it also makes it clear that copayments and deductibles don't apply to the program. Appreciate its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1054. Senator Watson seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1054 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1054. Mr.

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Secretary, are there any amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Watson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes, thank you. In legislation we passed a couple years ago, we established a three-tier certification process for teachers: initial certification, a standard certification and a master certification. This legislation identifies only the master certification, and we are asking for incentives for those teachers who move forward with this certification, and there'll be some reciprocity and some fee supports. I ask for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye.
Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted.
Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Sullivan, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

State your point.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

I'd like the Senate to welcome two Honorary Pages that will be
serving the Senate tomorrow: my oldest child, my son, Brendan,
and his friend, Danny. They both just passed their Illinois
Constitution test earlier this week and Danny is president of the
student council at their school. Danny Cozzi.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Welcome to Springfield. Congratulations. Senate Bill 1154.
Senator Fawell seeks -- excuse me. 1151. Senator Fawell seeks

leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1151 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1151. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Parker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Mr. Chairman -- or, Mr. President. What we are talking about here is trying to get the attention of the new emissions that are being taken place in St. Louis and the City of Chicago. And it allows for a stiffer penalty and payment back for those people who have their cars who have been damaged by the emissions testing. It allows for three times the amount and they may recover for attorneys' fees.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? Senator Fawell.

SENATOR FAWELL:

No, but I did want to tell you I -- she is the prime sponsor now and there has been a certificate saying so.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any further discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1158. Senator Rauschenberger seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1158 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1158. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Rauschenberger.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This amendment's a technical cleanup that was requested by LRB. Changes a couple definitions and cleans up some grammar. I'd appreciate its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 1172. Senator Philip seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1172 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1172. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Philip.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

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Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1172 becomes the bill. It allows counties to permit the county board, by ordinance, to arrange for group insurance - health insurance - if they decide to retire or take early retirement. It's an option for the county. Some people will take it; some people will not take it. I know of no objections.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. If the Membership turns your attention to Senate Calendar, Supplemental No. 1 has been distributed. It's on the Memberships' desks. We will be going to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading for the purposes of recall. Senate Bill 29. Senator Parker seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 29 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 29. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Parker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Mr. President. All this amendment does is allow for the school districts to be reimbursed from the State Board of Education for any expenses incurred and also allows police chiefs -- sheriffs also to be able to do fingerprinting.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 206. Senator Radogno seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 206 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 206. Mr. Secretary, any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Radogno and Senator Link and Senator Sullivan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 1 becomes the bill. It is an agreement between the municipalities, Commonwealth Edison and the county governments that Commonwealth Edison serves regarding the requirement of Com-Ed to notify them of rolling blackouts.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Dillard moves -- seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 230 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the

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purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 230. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill is a year 2000, I guess, immunity or civil justice liability bill, and we just amended it in the Judiciary Committee. This amendment was recommended that we adopt it. I'd like the Body

to adopt it, and then I'm going to hold this bill over the summer and we're going to have some hearings on it. But just for clerical purposes, I'd like this amendment adopted and then we're going to have hearings throughout the summer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Molaro seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 272 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 272. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Molaro.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Molaro.

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SENATOR MOLARO:

Yes, Senate Amendment No. 4 becomes the bill, and briefly what it does is that on calling cards that are for sale at retail outlets, that if you're going to sell them to the consumer, that they'd either become -- the expiration dates must be printed on there after first use or on a specific date. And that's what the bill does.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments approved for...

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Links seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 311 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 311. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Link.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

Thank you, Mr. President. This makes this bill a vehicle bill so that the City of Waukegan and IDOT can continue discussions on air rights in Waukegan. IDOT is the one that initiated this amendment, sir. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

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SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Fawell seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 468 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 468. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Fawell.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Fawell.

SENATOR FAWELL:

Thank you very much. This is really almost a technical amendment. All it does is change the number "2" to "15" times that the rolling stock has to go into interstate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Dillard seeks leave of the Body to have -- to return Senate Bill 527 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 527. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Dillard.

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SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. -- thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This amendment takes out a number of objections from the chemical industry, the School Management Alliance and FMC Corporation, a management -- or, a manufacturer

of chemicals, and it adopts a number of suggestions from Members of the committee. In essence, it waters down the bill and makes it a nonmandate. So it probably, in the eyes of the Body, makes it a better bill, and I'd move its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Dillard seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 529 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 529. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just described an amendment to Senate Bill 527, which is the companion to 529, and all of the things I said about my amendment to Senate Bill 527 are incorporated here in its companion bill in 529, and I'd move its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

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Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Sieben seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 578 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 578. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Sieben.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 3 becomes the bill. It amends the Vehicle Code, and it removes the -- objection that the emergency room physicians had. It's now agreed bill, and I move for its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Bomke -- seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 721 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 721. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Bomke.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Mr. President. The -- the amendment deals with two issues; one, point of service, requiring employers that have twenty-five employees or more and to pay twenty-five percent towards a dental plan for employees. That sets a criteria for the

dental insurer to offer point of service. The employer can require the employee to pick up the additional cost. The other issue is the oversight department. The oversight department is the Department of Insurance with an advisory committee made up of two general dentists, two dentists from the plan and one dentist from the Department of Public Health. The amendment makes this an agreed bill, and I would ask for...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Wendell Jones seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 729 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 729. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for...

SECRETARY HARRY:

Floor Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Wendell Jones.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Jones.

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SENATOR W. JONES:

Yes, Mr. President, Members of the Senate, this amendment was sought by the Principals' Association. It is now on the Agreed Bill List. Appreciate your vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Fawell seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 734 to the Order of 2nd -- to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 734. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Fawell.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Fawell.

SENATOR FAWELL:

Thank you very much. This amendment adds two more protections for members of a residential coop. Allows any member of a resident to record by tape, film or other means the proceedings of the members' meetings; and, second, it provides a mechanism for

members to receive notice and to obtain a warranty deed for full title to the property if he occurs {sic} or withdraws from the -- the corporation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Is there any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted.

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Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading. Senator Dillard seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 759 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 759. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved...

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This bill is one of the Attorney General's Safe to Learn packages, and this is a clean-up amendment to just clarify how a school bus is defined when somebody might use a firearm or discharge a firearm at it. And I'd move its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Any discussion? If not, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further Floor...

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

3rd Reading.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senate Bill 839. Senator Parker, did you wish this bill returned to 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment? Senator Parker seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 839 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no

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objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 839. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments

approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Parker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This bill is an agreement among the municipalities and all the people that were involved, and what it does is it says that there can be willful and wanton misconduct if that is on the road or the bike paths. And -- and that will be applied. And it did pass out of Judiciary unanimously, and I will explain it more when we get to the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, Senator Parker moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Opposed, same sign. Motion carried, and the amendment is adopted. Any further...

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 867. Senator Noland. Senator Noland seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 867 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 867. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Noland.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

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Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment No. 3 provides a third condition that further limits the use of eavesdropping during an emergency police response.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? If not, Senator Noland moves the adoption of Floor Amendment No. -- Floor Amendment No. 3. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Opposed, same sign. Motion is adopted. Are there any further Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 880. Senator Lauzen seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 880 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. On the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 880. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Lauzen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amendment is a technical cleanup. It also excludes the County of Cook. I seek its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? If not, Senator Lauzen moves for the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 880. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 890. Senator Dillard seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 890 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. And on that Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 890. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President. This amendment scales back the Year 2000 bill dealing with, I guess, financial companies: banks, credit unions, savings and loans, and others. And it -- it waters down the bill somewhat. The Trial Lawyers are still opposed to the bill as a whole, but it's still a work in progress. And I think the will of the committee, Democrats and Republicans, was to put this amendment on and let's keep working on it. The Trial Lawyers are negotiating with the Bankers Association and others and we want to keep it moving. This waters it down, but it's a good amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? If not, Senator Dillard has moved the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 890. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 968. Senator Radogno seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill -- 968 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. There is no objection. Leave is granted. So, on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 968.

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Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Radogno.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. This amendment simply changes the amount that the electric utilities contribute to the Energy Efficiency Trust Fund from thirty million, in the current bill, to ten million.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

I have a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates she'll yield, Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Senator Radogno, Commonwealth Edison just put in the paper that they got five billion dollars for selling their coal-fired plant. They anticipated getting 3.1 billion dollars. Now, you're talking about reducing this bill from utilities donating or giving, contributing, ten million dollars instead of thirty? It seems we should be going the other direction, to me. Are you --

is -- are you set on this ten million dollars, or is that negotiable over in the House, in order to get something passed?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Thank you. There are a number issues -- of issues with respect to the amount, arguments on both sides. I feel that at this point ten million is both a legitimate number and also one that is potentially passable. I just do not believe thirty

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million has the votes to pass.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Further discussion? If not, Senator Radogno has moved the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 968. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The amendment is adopted. Any further Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 989. Senator Dudycz seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 989 to the Order of 2nd Reading for

the purpose of an amendment. There is no objection. Leave is granted. So, on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 989. Mr. Secretary, are there any amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Dudycz.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 989 originally amended the Vehicle Code increasing the cost of a CDL from forty to forty-five dollars. The funds would be used to hire additional State troopers to conduct safety inspections on the trucks. The bill, as introduced, only raised enough revenue to hire an additional seven officers. The amendment would increase the fee for a CDL original and renewal from forty to sixty dollars and the instruction permit from thirty to fifty. This would raise an estimated 2.2 million dollars annually. This would be enough to hire and equip an additional twenty-eight State troopers for safety inspections. The trucking industry has no objection and the Secretary of State's Office is neutral on this, and I would seek your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Let me -- Mr. President, may I ask the -- the Senator a question, if he will yield, please?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he will yield, Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Senator Dudycz, I think I heard you say moving -- increasing the CDL from forty to forty-five. I thought it was a twenty-dollar increase. Senator...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

That's correct, Senator. Originally we were -- we -- we intended it to go twenty dollars, but the bill, as it was drafted, the original bill only increased it from forty to forty-five. This amendment increases it from forty to sixty. So it's -- instead of five dollars for the duration of the four-year license, it's five dollars per year.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

So for twenty dollars more, from forty to sixty, how many -- you're going to hire some new officers to do truck safety with the Illinois State Police. Is that correct? And the Secretary of State is neutral?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dudycz.

SENATOR DUDYCZ:

That's correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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Further discussion? If not, Senator Dudycz has moved the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 989. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1042. Senator Madigan seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1042 to the Order -- to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of amendment. There is no objection. Leave is granted. And on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1042. Mr. Secretary, are there any amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Lisa Madigan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

I move to table Amendment No. 3.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Madigan seeks leave to table Amendment No. 3. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is tabled. Any further amendments, Mr...

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 4, offered by Senator Lisa Madigan.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Madigan.

SENATOR L. MADIGAN:

Thank you, Mr. President and Members of the Senate. Amendment No. 4 becomes the bill and incorporates the suggested changes of the Transportation Committee. This amendment addresses a serious safety issue that is faced by law enforcement and that is one of secret false compartments being installed and used in cars to hide

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weapons, and I would urge this amendment's adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? If not, Senator Madigan has moved the

adoption of Floor Amendment No. 4 to Senate Bill 1042. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1046. Senator Sullivan. Senator Sullivan seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill -- I beg your pardon. Out of the record. Senate Bill 1112. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1112 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. And on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1112. Mr. Secretary, are there any amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 2, offered by Senator Dillard.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is Governor's Ryan's "15-20 & Life" legislation. This amendment is worked on to make sure that we have all the constitutional safeguards in place with respect to a couple of issues, and it cleans up the underlying bill and I'd move its adoption.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? If not, Senator Dillard has moved for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 1112. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay.

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The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senate Bill 1148. Senator Lauzen has -- seeks -- 3rd Reading. I beg your pardon. Senate Bill 1148. Senator Lauzen seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1148 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of amendment. Is -- hearing no objection, leave is granted. And on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1148.

Mr. Secretary, are there any amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Lauzen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Lauzen.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Amendment 1 becomes the bill. Merely asks Department of Commerce and Community Affairs to measure the effectiveness of the economic development incentives that we're passing.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Is there -- is there discussion? If not, Senator Lauzen has moved the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1148. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1183. Senator Sieben seeks leave of the Body to return Senate Bill 1183 to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purpose of an amendment. Hearing no objection, leave is granted. And on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 1183.

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Mr. Secretary, are there any amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Sieben.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Mr. -- thank you, Mr. President. This is an initiative of the Attorney General's Office, and it deals with the

model statute required by the tobacco settlement. The amendment provides some technical clarifications that were identified by the tobacco industry attorneys and it also adds clarification that the funds received will go into the General Revenue Fund. Might also share with the Members of the Body that the Attorney General is doing a little better today. His white count is up, but I would encourage everyone to remember Attorney General Ryan tonight in their prayers.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Thank you, Senator Sieben. Is there discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

I have a question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Indicates he'll yield, Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Senator Sieben, does this make any direction for the use of the money that may be received from the tobacco settlement?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Sieben.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

No, it does not make any direction in terms of the use of the funds that are received from the settlement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

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Is there further discussion? If not, Senator Sieben has moved the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1183. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there any further amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

3rd Reading. Senator Klemm, for what purpose do you arise, sir?

SENATOR KLEMM:

For the -- for the purposes of an announcement while we have a break.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Please state your announcement, sir.

SENATOR KLEMM:

The Senate Executive Committee will meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow morning in Room 212.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Thank you, Senator Klemm. 9 a.m. in Room 212, Senate Executive Committee. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution -- or, Senate Joint Resolution 29, offered by Senator Watson, Senator Maitland and others.

It's substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senator Geo-Karis, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President, with the purpose of tabling two bills. I'd like to table Senate Bill 2 and Senate Bill 267.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Senate -- Senator Geo-Karis has moved to table Senate Bill 2 and Senate Bill 267. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye.

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Opposed, same sign. Motion to table and the motion -- and the -- and the bills are tabled. House Bills 1st Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 17, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 107, offered by...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR MAITLAND)

Thank you. Members we are going to be -- we have effectively concluded our business for the day. We're going to read some House bills in. There'll be no further action taken today. So if you would care to leave, you can. Let me just, before we adjourn, the -- the Senate will reconvene on Thursday, March 25th, at the

hour of 10 a.m. 10 a.m. Have a nice evening. House Bills 1st
Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 107, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 157, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 286, offered by Senator Shaw.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 382, offered by Senator Parker.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 386, offered by Senator Smith.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 442, offered by Senator Burzynski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 540, offered by Senator Lauzen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 562, offered by Senator Rea.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 567, offered by Senator O'Malley.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 854, offered by Senator Geo-Karis.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 873, offered by Senator Munoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 928, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1097, offered by Senator Dudycz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1098, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1099, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1155, offered by Senator Lauzen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1193, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1194, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1207, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1274, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1294, offered by Senator DeLeo.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1305, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1321, offered by Senator Munoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1501, offered by Senators Lightford and del Valle.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1538, offered by Senator Larry Walsh.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1676, offered by Senator Fawell.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1712, offered by Senator Syverson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 924, offered by Senator Sieben.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1728, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1812, offered by Senator Lauzen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1878, offered by Senator del Valle.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1896, offered by Senator Klemm.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1905, offered by Senators Clayborne and Wendell
Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1962, offered by Senator Robert Madigan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1987, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2011, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2035, offered by Senator Lisa Madigan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2085, offered by Senator Burzynski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill -- pardon me, 2125, offered by Senator Burzynski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2180, offered by Senator Peterson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 2216, offered by Senator Obama.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2243, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2310, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2326, offered by Senator Robert Madigan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2333, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2589, offered by Senator Obama.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2640, offered by Senator Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2680, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2686, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2726, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2727 -- pardon me, offered by Senator Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 2841, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR KARPIEL)

No further business to come before the Senate, Senator Fawell moves that the Senate stand adjourned until the hour of 10 a.m., Thursday, March 25th. 10 a.m.

